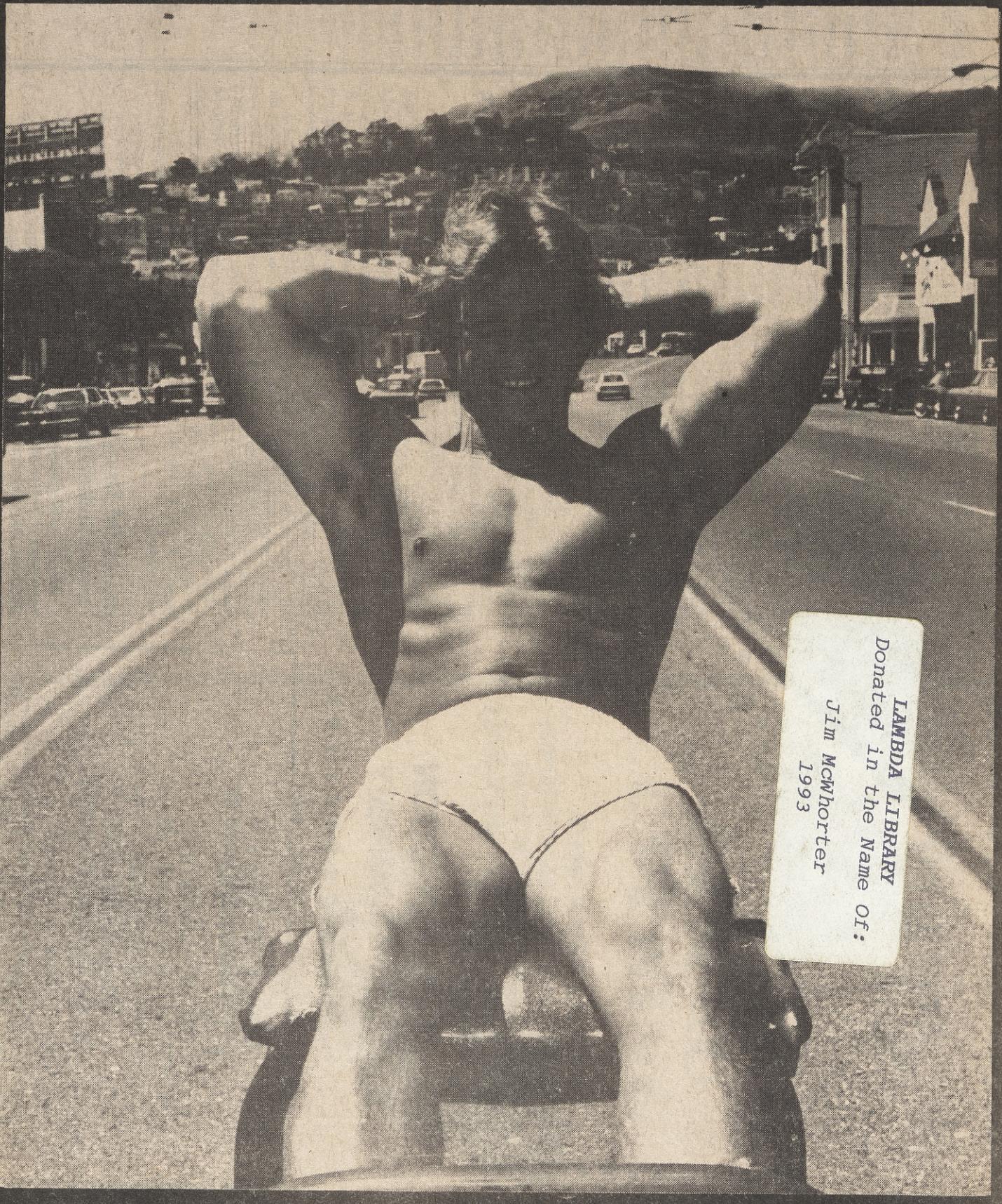


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### Lots Of Gays May Be Addicted To Sex!

According to Dr. Patrick Carnes, a Minneapolis psychologist and author of a book entitled *The Sexual Addiction*, there are some homosexuals who are sexual addicts with a need that is seldom totally relieved. Carnes claims that one out of every 12 persons is sexually addicted and that the need for excessive sex resembles alcoholism and compulsive gambling.

Help is readily available for those with chemical- or alcohol-related dependence. For people dealing with sexual dependencies—gay men in particular—a standardized program of treatment is not available, and the "sex addict" is viewed differently from the drug addicts or alcoholics.

In his book, Carnes says the sexually addicted person is frequently lonely and frustrated. He writes that sexually addictive behavior ranges from the need to have constant affairs or masturbation to committing acts of incest and rape. He identifies several levels of addiction, depending on the consequences to the individual and society.

The sexual addict who has several sexual encounters in a week has little chance to develop a real sense of self worth because of his loneliness and isolation.

Sexual addiction results from a lack of self-control and is a rather new phenomenon. Carnes believes that addicts are helpless without the support of others because the addiction feeds on itself.

Opponents to Carnes object to labeling people sexual addicts and say that intimacy problems may contribute to such behavior.

### Anti-AIDS Drug Given Limited Approval

Although the effectiveness of the drug Isoprinosine in the treatment of AIDS is unproven, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently gave a Newport Beach firm approval to distribute it for any patients whose doctors ask for it.

Newport Pharmaceuticals will distribute the experimental anti-AIDS drug, which the government approved for "compassionate use" on patients with the fatal disease.

Isoprinosine is sold legally in 70 nations, including Mexico, and patients with the deadly acquired immune deficiency syndrome or a less severe condition called pre-AIDS have been buying the drug there.

Doctors with AIDS patients should contact the firm if they want to obtain Isoprinosine under the "compassionate-use protocol" approved by the FDA.

### Anita Bryant Marches On And Gets Fired Again In The Process!

Ms. Anita Bryant, singer, former beauty queen, and homophobe par excellence who a few years ago created great controversy with her outspoken opposition to a Miami gay-rights ordinance, was recently dropped from a local television show in Atlanta after a single appearance.

Bryant was fired from her job as an entertainment reporter for "PM Atlanta" because of negative reaction from viewers of WAGA-TV. Her debut on the show had been heavily promoted. Her weekly segments were to be called "In The Spotlights" and were designed to deal with local entertainers.

Bryant lost her job as spokeswoman for Florida orange juice in the 1970s amid her successful campaign to repeal the gay-rights ordinance.

General Manager Paul Raymon of WAGA-TV said, "We were under the impression, and I think she was as well, that the past controversies that had surrounded her no longer existed. But we did get something of a groundswell of reaction that indicated that it still does exist, at least in Atlanta." He also said the station has a policy that "proscribes using any controversial public figures as talent on any entertainment programs."

Bryant herself said, "Those who yell discrimination apparently have a double standard when it comes to Anita Bryant....I can't change what the truth is or what I believe it to be." The "truth" to which she apparently referred was her still-negative view of homosexuality.

### Gay Stenographer Sues US For Firing

A former stenographer at the White House who acknowledges that he is gay recently sued the federal government because he was fired by his employer after being stripped of his security clearance.

Killian B. Swift, 31, held a White House security pass from Feb. 26, 1982 until Jan. 3, 1984, while working for Koba Associates, Inc. and its predecessor. Koba has a contract to record and transcribe presidential press conferences and speeches.

On Jan. 3, 1984, the government notified Koba that Swift had been determined to be a security risk and therefore would no longer be permitted access to the White House and the nearby Executive Office Building, according to the suit filed in U.S. District Court.

Koba immediately terminated Swift, who has been unemployed since that time.

### THOUSANDS OF GAYS RECEIVE MILITARY DISCHARGES

Between the years 1974 and 1983, 14,311 people were discharged from the United States military for being gay. The source of this statistic was the U.S. Department of Defense, as cited in a recent study by the federal General Accounting Office.

The number of gays and lesbians discharged from the military in 1974 was 875; but that figure rose to nearly 2000 for each of the years between 1980 and 1983. The Navy accounted for more than half the total.

Below is a listing showing the increase in discharges by year.

1974—(875)
1975—(790)
1976—(1,141)
1977—(1,303)
1978—(1,446)
1979—(1,459)
1980—(1,738)
1981—(1,789)
1982—(1,974)
1983—(1,796)

### AGLA Denounces Movie

The Alliance for Gay and Lesbian Artists in the Entertainment Industry (AGLA) has denounced the movie "Heaven Help Us" for its derogatory language and excessive use of an anti-gay slur.

The film stars Keven Dillon who uses the word "faggot" 30 times in his performance.

In an effort to sensitize the industry to gay-and-lesbian concerns, the AGLA is requesting that comments be addressed to Jeff Sagansky at Tri Star Pictures, 1875 Century Park East, Los Angeles, CA 90076.

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## "Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are"

by Vic Basile  
Executive Director, Human Rights Campaign Fund

We all remember playing hide and seek when we were children. It was a fun game and, as frustrating as it sometimes got when we were "it" and couldn't find our friends anywhere, we knew our frustration was short lived. As soon as we shouted the familiar "come out, come out, wherever you are," the game would be over, and we'd laugh at the clever hiding places our friends had found.

Unfortunately, some of us are still playing, and we don't seem to have any immediate plans to stop. And for those of us assigned the on-going role of being "it," that's a very frustrating state of affairs.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund has just finished compiling the results of a survey we've taken of our constituency. I use the term "constituency" very loosely because, now that the survey is in, I'm not sure how to define that word as it applies to us at the HRCF. Our survey has pointed out loud and clear that the people within the gay/lesbian community who are our contributors by no means reflect our community at large.

Here at HRCF, we're struggling to champion the cause we all believe in: basic civil rights for gays and lesbians. In that regard, we feel we represent virtually the entire gay community. But we are an organization kept alive by our contributors, and the portrait our survey paints of those contributors looks mighty different from the real-life canvas of the gay community we see on a daily basis.

To look at our contributors, you'd think the gay community was 93% male. You'd think half of us were between the ages of 35-49. You'd think we all lived in New York and Washington. You'd think we were all liberal. You'd think fewer than 3% of us were registered Republicans. You'd be wrong on all counts.

To look at our contributors, you'd think lesbians in Chicago didn't exist, let alone believe in gay civil rights. You'd think the 25-year-old gay yuppie in Houston was a rarity. You'd think barely a handful of gays in San Francisco voted for Ronald Reagan. You'd be wrong again.

To look at our contributors, you'd think that nobody in New Orleans cared about the judges who send convicted fag-bashers home with barely a slap on the wrist. You'd think there wasn't a single gay person in Denver who felt threatened by the fact that gays all over the country lose their jobs and their homes because of who they are. You'd

## HOROSCOPES FOR THE HORNY!

by Dr. Pat Larr

**GEMINI** (May 21-Jun 20): Expect an upturn in your affairs mid-month, but just don't expect everyone to be as foxy as you are and you'll be surprised at what you can turn up.

**CANCER** (Jun 21-Jul 22): An older and wiser admirer casts admiring glances your way. The stars say: Take a chance right now or you'll be sadder but wiser.

**LEO** (Jul 23-Aug 22): Gather ye rosebuds while ye may. Yes, you get down to the butt of the problem this month. Enjoy while it lasts.

**VIRGO** (Aug 23-Sep 22): Always the peacekeeper, try to maintain harmony in your household. Yes, that special someone is trying to drive you crazy.

**LIBRA** (Sep 23-Oct 22): You're always saying your day will come (cum?). Well, it's finally here, and yes, there's a trick to it.

**SCORPIO** (Oct 23-Nov 22): A user-friendly computer wiz straightens out your floppy disk by month's end. Yes, it's time for software a la modem.

## National Business Group Announces 1875 Awards

The National Association of Business Councils (NABC) recently announced the recipients of its 1985 Awards recognizing outstanding contributions to the lesbian and gay business and professional community. NABC, the national gay chamber of commerce, represents more than 3500 businesses and professionals through its 21 affiliates across the country.

The following awards were announced: Dr. Mathilde Krim of New York City and Duke Comegys of Los Angeles—1985 Presidents Awards; Control Data Corporation of Minneapolis—1985 Equal Opportunity Achievement Award; and Arthur Lazere of San Francisco—1985 Meritorious Service Award.

The NABC Awards were presented in connection with the Association's Fifth Anniversary Meeting in late May.

"I am most pleased to honor the two outstanding individuals who are recipients of the Association's 1985 Presidents Awards," explained Werner P. Kuhn, NABC President. "Dr. Mathilde Krim is an outstanding example of the support for lesbian and gay concerns in the non-gay community through her sensitive and informed leadership in our nation's fight against the AIDS epidemic. On the West Coast, Duke Comegys represents a new generation of gay activist through his tireless and professional fund-raising and leadership in addressing our community's many needs."

"Control Data Corporation has established an outstanding record in its policies and practices guaranteeing equal employment opportunities for all its employees, including lesbians and gay men," continued Kuhn. "In adopting a corporate policy against discrimination based on sexual preference and in implementing that policy through its personnel practices, Control Data has encouraged the loyalty and productivity of all of its employees. We believe Control Data's forward-looking approach should and will be emulated by increasing numbers of major corporations in the United States."

The Association's 1985 Meritorious Service Award recipient Arthur Lazere currently serves as both Chair of the San Francisco Industrial Development Authority and President of the San Francisco Small Business Network. "NABC established this award to honor outstanding contributions by an Association member, as an openly gay business and professional person, to the community at large," explained NABC President-Elect Anita Gherardi.

Presidents Award recipient Duke Comegys currently serves both as President of the Lesbian & Gay Community Services Center of Los Angeles and as Co-Chair of the national Human Rights Campaign Fund. "During the past three years, Duke's diligent and inspired efforts on behalf of AIDS Los Angeles and the Center have made him the foremost fundraiser within the gay and lesbian community," explained NABC President Kuhn. "His dedication and professionalism in addressing the varied needs of our community sets a shining example of new leadership for both the gay and non-gay communities."

Presidents Award recipient Mathilde Krim, Ph.D., is the founder and Chairperson of the AIDS Medical Foundation in New York City, the only non-governmental organization in the United States whose primary goal is to fund and sponsor research into the causes, methods of treatment, and prevention of AIDS. "Already a highly regarded researcher through her work in introducing Interferon treatment into the United States through the Sloane Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, Dr. Krim has served increasingly as a critical catalyst promoting constructive dialogue between the research, public sector, medical, service providing and affected communities in the fight against AIDS," explained Kuhn. "Dr. Krim's efforts to promote better media coverage and public understanding of the many issues arising from the AIDS crisis have included lucid public statements, appearances on panels and TV shows such as that hosted by Phil Donahue, and an AMF conference designed to improve the communication between researchers dealing with AIDS and the media. Dr. Krim's efforts have already borne significant fruit in terms of better public understanding of this puzzling disease AIDS."

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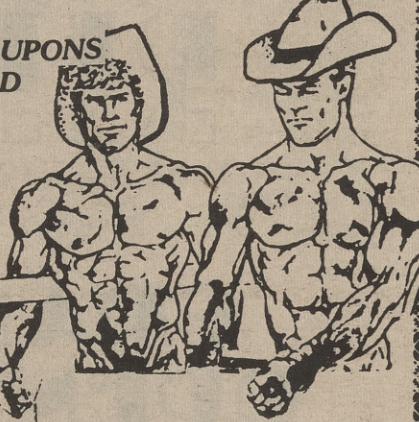
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Dallas, or "Big D" as it is affectionately called, was founded in 1841. In that relatively short span it has become one of America's world-class cities.

I always get a charge out of the colorful, unique street names found in Dallas: Mockingbird Lane, Dowdy Ferry Road, Lovers Lane, Cedar Springs, Throckmorton, Turtle Creek, Harry Hines Blvd., Tea Garden, and Zang Blvd. to name but a few.

The corner of Throckmorton and Cedar Springs is the heart of Dallas' gay ghetto, known irreverently as "Homo Heights." Everything within sight is gay. On the corner is the Crossroads Market, which sells antiques, books, and cards; or you can pick up a free copy of the Metro Times, TWT, or the Dallas Voice. Across the street is the infamous J. R.'s...veddy, veddy preppie and with sandwiches, too, if you're hungry. On another corner is 4001, the most popular men's disco, at least during the week.

TMC (Throckmorton Mining Company) at 3014 Throckmorton is probably the hottest macho cruise bar in town...where neckties and leather walk arm in arm. Two entrances. One is for the Saloon, where daytime drinkers can watch movies or TV; the other is into the dancehall, where the Cotton-Eyed Joe and other western classic dances keep the cowboys on their toes. Just past there is the new Dallas Gay Community

Center, operated by the Dallas Gay Alliance.

Across the street is the Steak 'n Egg, where many bartenders grab an after-hours bite, and working guys meet over breakfast. Also in the same block is the recently reopened Old Plantation, a show bar and disco popular with unisex twinkies; and Moondreams, a sophisticated lesbian lounge. You will find some hot-looking Texas men hanging out at Hunkie's Hamburger Grill and the Lobo Book Store. You won't have to ask where the beef is either.

Ironically, although the gay section is known as Oak Lawn, there are only a couple of gay businesses in Oak Lawn itself. Patrick's, a rather chic cabaret, has just left its old location on Fitzhugh and opened here at 2629 Oaklawn. Nearby is the Fitness Exchange, a gym where bodies beautiful become even more beautiful. But watch out! Next door is Southern Maid Donuts, which some weak-willed friends of mine refer to as the "fatness exchange."

The ever-popular Hidden Door at 5025 Bowser, one block off Lemmon and Mahanna, gets a mostly, but by no means exclusively, leather and western crowd. Club Delman near here is a mob-scene on Saturdays. The Boxx Office is new. In the forty-hundred block on Maple, parallel to Cedar Springs, but a few blocks west, are the Sundance, which gets leather guys on weekends, and Tex's Ranch, a video/disco bar on my last visit. Besides TMC, the Crews Inn at 3220 No. Fitzhugh is the cruisiest bar in Dallas. Across the street is a fun disco called the Lifters, and around the corner at 4144 Buena Vista is the Hideaway, which features some good entertainment. Buddy's opened recently where Patrick's used to be.

The Unicorn at 4125 Lemmon is the top women's disco in Big D, but some ladies like High Country, North Forty Saloon, J. J.'s, and Jugs.

The Crib is weekend-only disco which attracts many blacks. Another little gay enclave of four bars in one block (2500 Fitzhugh) offers the Eighth Day, No Name, Texas Territory, and Wild Crowd Saloon. Some go-go boys and older guys hang out here.

Dallas has two of the best baths in America, the C. B. C.'s Club Dallas at 2616 Swiss Avenue, and the Midtowne Spa and Gym at 2509 Pacific.

There are no gay hotels in Dallas, but the pleasant old Melrose Hotel, ideally located at Oak Lawn and Cedar Springs, may turn out to be a welcome haven to gay visitors. I find the Viscount as good a place as any to stay until something better comes along.

You are still, for the time being, going to have to stick to straight dinner houses. Fun, casual places include Baby Doe's Mining Co., Chiquita Bobby McGees, and Old San Francisco Steak House. For elegant gourmet dining try the Manson on Turtle Creek, Il Sorrento, L'Entrecote at Loews Anatole, Mario's, Mr. Peppe's, Old Warsaw, Pyramid, and French Room at the Adolphus.

A "must" for first-time visitors who want to see Dallas' glass and alabaster palaces is the new revolving cocktail lounge on the fiftieth floor of the Hyatt Regency. From here you can see all the city's imposing skyline including a seventy-story-plus tower just across the way. Some may want to see Nieman Marcus, the Cotton Bowl, Southern Methodist University, Boot Town, Six Flags over Texas, White Water, Texas Stadium (home of the Dallas Cowboys), or the John F. Kennedy Memorial, located a couple of blocks away from the spot where the thirty-fourth President of the United States was assassinated.

Dallas, with a million inhabitants, is dandy, randy, and candy all rolled up into one. You may even meet a hot Sandy or Brandy! Years ago, I found Dallas to be cliquish, affected, and pseudo-elegant. No longer. It's a wonderful city. Try it, you'll like it.

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## FANTASY CAPSULE

by Mark M. Forston  
*The Last Train  
To Springtown*

How many times had Kurt traveled on this commuter train from the suburbs of Chicago? How many times had he passed over the old bridge that seemed to creak from the weight of the train as it rumbled across its ancient timbers?

It wasn't the commuting that was nagging away at his brain; it was the constant battle with reality and all the pressures of his job. It was all those things that made modern-day society seem to him to be on a collision course. It got more complicated with each sunrise, each sunset.

Kurt's lovelife was a mess also. It was nothing more than a series of men who marched through his life like an army of little tin soldiers. They were as cold as the metal they were made of. Few showed any sensitivity; instant gratification was all they were after. They just took, never giving anything but a brief roll in the hay.

Relationships were deep in the past, haunting as yesterday. Kurt had been through all that and wasn't traveling that perilous path again, at least not for the moment.

Kurt watched the countryside go whizzing by like a dream, capturing in his mind those special images that conjured up lovely thoughts. God, how he would love to move out there, with a loving man, one he could spend the rest of his life with. What a wonderful escape his fantasy world was!

The conductor suddenly appeared as if out of nowhere. Kurt couldn't remember ever having seen the man before. He was short and stocky with tufts of gray hair poking out from beneath his cap. His face had an almost youthful appearance, capturing as it did the old and the new in a wonderful togetherness. He had rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes that set aside the strange absurdity that he was an old man. Those eyes revealed a jovial nature; the smile was compelling.

"How ya doin' sonny?"

"Fine, sir, how are you," replied Kurt, trying not to stare at the strange little man.

"You ride this train a great deal, don't you?" the little man's eyes probed for the truth in the troubled face before him. "You got troubles, don't you sonny?" his voice now solemn and confiding.



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"It's the pressures, I guess; it's really starting to show, huh?" said Kurt.

"You see all that farm area out there, boy; I remember when there was nothing for miles but open spaces. I started on this run over thirty years ago; I wouldn't want another job in the world. Say, how would you like to take a real nice ride this Sunday. There's a wonderful old train ride that goes to Springtown on Sundays; it'll make you forget all your

troubles. You can catch it just outside Chicago at Williamsburg. Be there, boy." The conductor turned, tipped his hat, walked away.

Kurt showed up at the station in Williamsburg. The train was waiting. There wasn't a soul around. A light rain and gray sky blurred the otherwise quiet day.

Kurt got aboard the train. It was magnificent; inside it glittered like brand new. Rich velvet interior, crystal lights dazzling like diamonds. He sat down in the lush seat and settled in. Suddenly the train jerked and began to move. Soon it was whizzing along. Before he realized it, the countryside began to change. The appearance was re-arranging itself right before his eyes. With a blinding flash the sun came out. It fell like a golden light upon the neat rows of corn and quaint little farmhouses that dotted the land. One thing Kurt noticed: There were no electric poles or telephone lines. It was all weird, but beautiful.

The train began to slow, then rumbled to a stop. Kurt peered out the window at a little station which looked rather new. He grabbed his bag and stepped out onto the walkway. There at the other end of the station was a young man. He looked like a hunky farm boy with his light brown hair, all shiny in the sunlight. A smile swept across his face as he waved at Kurt and started toward him. As they met, their eyes met like two heavenly bodies destined to collide. They stared deeply into each other's eyes. It was an orgy of the soul, that definite and undeniable fact that their hearts were beating as one.

"I'm Danny, Kurt. Mr. Johnson told me that you'd be coming today. I've been waiting for you for a long time, and now you're here." The next moment they were walking to Danny's wagon which was hitched up to a team of horses. Kurt thought to himself, "If this is a dream, may I never wake up." And with that, they rode away.

Kurt failed to notice the sign over the ticket window at the station which read: Today's date, June 5, 1905. THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER DEPARTURES FROM SPRINGVILLE.



## THE KITCHEN FAIRY

### EATING IT ON THE GREEN!

June is busting out all over and so, my dears, am I. I must confess to just a teensy bit of overindulgence in one of my past lives (I think it began at age 10) that has made me loathe to don a swimsuit. (Oh, I do hope it wasn't something I ate!) There does seem to be more and more of me to love, however. So, I said to myself, perhaps I should give up dessert (What price glory!?) and eat salad for a month, or maybe even a week.

To my unmitigated surprise, I found some delightful things to toss on a bed of greens (things I never dreamt of), and I found some delightful salads, too. Not of the vulgar lettuce-and-lemon-juice variety that torture the spirit for the sake of the body. But salads with substance. Salads to please the butch de la butch. It is, after all, what you toss on the bed that satisfies. As a result, I have formed intimate ties with mayonnaise and cold pasta, have become enraptured by an Italian's cold meat, and have retained the rounded lines for which I am known and loved. After having consumed an abundance of oral pleasures off a bed of greens during the past month (of course, accompanied by crusty bread and good wine), I have concluded it is not what you eat, it is how much. And, so, perhaps, just a little dessert really couldn't hurt.

What follows are three of the very reasons I have not lost one ounce in my battle to appear what I shall never be—thin. Do enjoy, dears. And remember, nobody wants it when it's wet and limp, so crisp those greens. Wash them, dry them, and put them in the refrig till you're ready for them. Also remember, salads, like sex itself, are only as satisfying as you make them. And there's always time to toss off a quick one!

**Fruit of the Sea Salad**  
(Lobster and Macaroni Salad)  
**Whopping Big Salad**  
(Italian Cold Meat Salad)  
**Chicken in the Brown**  
(Chicken and Brown Rice Salad)  
**French Bread**  
**An Excellent Wine**

### FRUIT OF THE SEA SALAD

Serves 4

Bait your hooks, boys, and get ready to reel in that whopper! There's nothing quite like a shore dinner to satisfy the sea-fairy in us all. Oh, for a bite of a sailor!

Preparation Time: 30 min.

Ingredients:

2 cups small, shell macaroni (how nautical!)  
9-ounce package frozen artichoke hearts  
1 lb. cooked lobster meat  
½ cup thinly sliced radishes  
½ teaspoon dried basil  
1 teaspoon salt  
¼ teaspoon freshly ground pepper (not popper!)  
½ cup bottled French dressing  
1/3 cup mayonnaise  
Crisp lettuce leaves

Preparation:

- Cook your shells according to package directions. Drain and rinse with cold water. Drain well.
- Cook the artichoke hearts according to package directions. Drain, if necessary.
- Toss together the macaroni shells, the lobster, radishes, basil, salt, and pepper. Chill.
- Mix together the French dressing (oooh-la-la) and mayo.
- When you are ready to enjoy this richly rewarding experience, toss together the lobster mixture with the mayo mixture. Lay it out on your lettuce leaves on 4 chilled salad plates and think thin.

### WHOPPING BIG SALAD

(Serves four or five)

Having given up potatoes for a couple of days, I was reduced to meat and lettuce. This, however, didn't reduce me at all! The Italian's cold meats most assuredly had something to do with that.

Preparation Time: 30 min.  
(olive oil stands for several hours)

Ingredients:

1 clove of garlic  
½ cup imported olive oil  
1 cup white bread cubes  
1 small head of Romaine lettuce (crisped)  
1½ teaspoons of Worcestershire sauce  
¼ cup grated, imported Parmesan cheese  
Salt and pepper  
1 cup in all of the following, cut in thin strips (this is all that is thin in this salad):  
Mortadella sausage  
Bologna  
Hard Salami (oooh!)  
Black Forest Ham  
¼ cup lemon juice

### Grandfather's Cupboard

by Charles E. Hall, Ph.D.  
Practitioner of  
Traditional Chinese Medicine

Fresh salsa doesn't remain tasty for more than two days. In making your own, use whatever proportions of peppers, onion, garlic, and tomatoes taste best to you. Run it through your blender and eat it with corn chips, tortillas, bread, cheese, whatever.

With cheese, it balances the cheese's tendency to clog up the mucous.

Eat salsa on a daily basis until the mucous in your nose runs clear, almost like water. At the same time, your mouth fluids will become very watery and any stickiness will go away. The salsa does not affect the saliva, but it does change the mucous secretions of the cheeks and gums.

This is also very good for swollen lymph glands. The pungency cleans the lymphatic system and flushes from the body the sludge that keeps clogging up its works.

The lymphatic-mucous system is part of the 'metal' element of the body as described in ancient times. That metal element includes the lungs, large intes-

### Preparation:

- Thinly slice the garlic clove and let it stand in the olive oil for several hours. Remove it from the oil.
- Heat half the oil in a skillet and lightly brown the bread cubes in it. Drain them on paper towels.
- Tear your lettuce (how butch!) into bite-size pieces and throw it into a salad bowl. (There should be about 6 cups.)
- Sprinkle on the Worcestershire, Parmesan, salt, and pepper.
- Toss on your meat, the lemon juice and the rest of the oil. Toss it around till it is well combined. Throw on the bread cubes and toss again.

### CHICKEN IN THE BROWN

(Serves four)

Honey, if this doesn't get your cock crowing, nothing will! (Well, maybe there is something else!)

Preparation Time: 40 minutes  
(if your rice is cooked!)

Ingredients:

2 Tablespoons wine vinegar  
2 Tablespoons minced scallion (just the white part)  
1 Tablespoon fresh ginger root, peeled and grated  
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard  
Salt and pepper, to taste  
½ cup vegetable oil  
3 Tablespoons minced parsley  
1 lb. of chicken boobs, skinned, boned, and halved  
3 Tablespoons butter  
Salt and pepper  
2 cups cooked brown rice  
A 2-oz. jar of chopped pimento  
1/3 cup chopped celery

Preparation:

- Cut a round of waxed paper to the same size as the lid of the skillet in which you plan to cook the chicken boobs.
- Flatten the boobs slightly between two sheets of waxed paper and sprinkle them with salt and pepper.
- Melt the butter in the skillet. Add the chicken, turning to grease it up with the butter. Cover it with the round of waxed paper and the lid. Cook over low heat for 10 minutes.
- Meanwhile, beat up the vinegar, scallions, ginger root, and mustard with salt and pepper to taste.
- Add the vegetable oil in a stream and beat till it submits or is well blended.
- Remove the chicken from the pan and beat the pan juices into the dressing. Stir in the parsley.
- Shred your chicken into long strips.
- In a bowl, combine the chicken, rice, pimento, celery, and walnuts. Toss them around.
- Add the dressing and toss around again.

- Serve at room temperature on a bed of crisp greens. Unfortunately for our waistlines, hot corn bread is fabulous with this!
- I sign off this column with a thin quip: When tempted to diet, just remember that the bigger they are, the harder. Do tune in next month when I am back to greater indulgences in a column to be entitled "In the heat of the night." Till next we eat, dears, Yummy Down!
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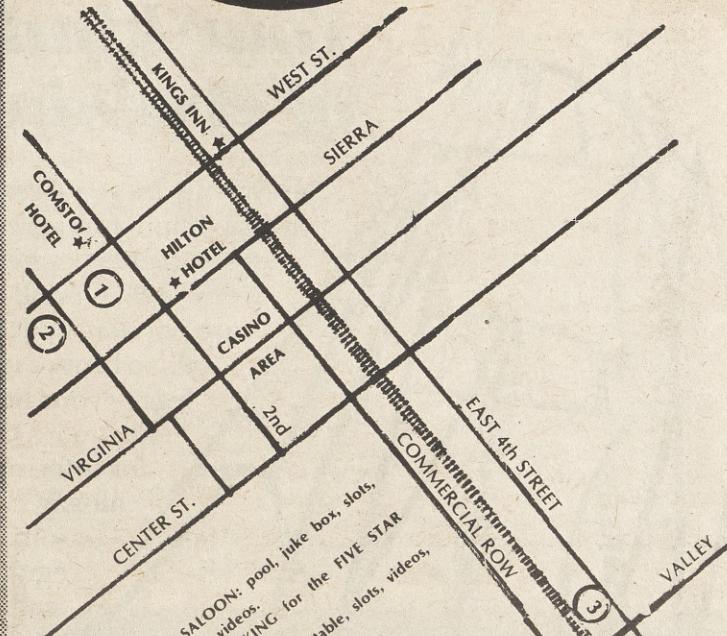
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by Michael J. Maier

### "AROUND THE WORLD IN A DAY"

Prince

Paisley Park Records

It has become evident that pop rock's kid Prince is not merely satisfied with his current success status or is content at simply equaling the same level of popularity as Michael Jackson. What has become evident, though, through the release of Prince's latest LP venture "Around The World In A Day" (the title is a takeoff on Michael Todd's 1956 Academy-Award-winning film "Around The World In 80 Days") is that the "Purple Rocker" has set his sights on becoming this generation's super legend. More directly, Prince goes after the legacy of the Beatles.

Despite the album's name play, the direction is unquestionably the Beatles, zeroing in more directly on the group's 1967 landmark album "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club" which consecrated the Beatles as the spokesman for a generation. Even though Prince tries hard to capture the same success effect as the Beatles, with the album's sometimes cute to strange psychedelic twists and turns both reflected in the musical artistry and the album's cover, (the latter offers a pastoral scene which combines both sides of Prince's view on the ever on-going struggle in this world between good and evil), the album falls rather short on the same sociological level that "Sgt. Pepper's" did. Still this LP has a consistently yet tamer appeal from previous Prince outings, especially since the "Dirty Minds" project, where sexual posturing (a male version of bimbo rock) had become a trademark of this toast of pop rock. Prince now seems to show that trait down to a milder pace replacing mostly sexual material for a genre of more socially aware cuts. It is rather like taking a triple-X rated show and editing it down to a PG rating. Mostly, however, a lot of this has to do with the musical presentation of the LP, Prince imple-

menting less harsh and more reflective styles and sides. Funk is replaced by folk in some areas, and a cello takes place over the clamor of a guitar.

It is indeed disappointing to discover that really nothing new emerges from "World." Even though it is different from previous outings, all the elements have been used by Prince before—since 1980 to be exact. Indeed they are twisted into other shapes and sounds thereby feeling fresh and alive, but one cannot help but say: I've heard this before. One thing must be noted—Prince does add a larger degree of intimacy than we have been allowed before, lifting a bit of that mysterious cloud which has always been a part of this funk-rocker. With this cloud being raised, it reconfirms one of my long-standing notions that this boy is strange.

Even though "World" falls short of the Beatles project, it is most significant to point out one main link, however, which exists between the two albums, that being the willingness of both Prince and the Beatles to risk alienating their audiences at a time of great popularity by adopting different artistic levels over already-established musical styles.

It will be interesting to see how fans react to this new Prince package and style. Change is and always has been a dangerous route in rock, and many of the same young fans who responded to his flash and style along with more sophisticated listeners who respected his artistry may find this either too tame or a copout. It is easy to come to that assessment if you judge each LP by previous accomplishments. In any case, the odds were already against any follow-up album after the great sales success of "Purple Rain," which racked up a good \$10 million in sales.

The album's title track, which was co-written by Prince, John Nelson (his father), and musician David Coleman reflects more as an introduction to the album than just that of an opening song. Similar in ways to the opening track of "Sgt. Pepper," with its exotic and intoxicating Middle Eastern flare, it is an enchantment into travel, but through

Prince's strange and emotional world.

The second cut, "Paisley Park," is a direct duplicate in style and sound to the psychedelic feel of "Sgt. Pepper's," so much so that you might expect the Beatles to join in on a verse or two. Prince even throws in what could be a nonsensical line or a political poke, much in the same style that the Beatles did with phrases that delighted their fans and audiences, like: Whoever said that elephants were stronger than mules?

"Condition of the Heart" is a class tale about a string of romantic letdowns, bringing to mind the psychological meaning behind "When Doves Cry." It is interesting to note that in this cut, a lot of that aforementioned intimacy is shared with us even though the tale seems to be told from behind rose-colored glasses, a trait more characteristic of the 60s than the 80s.

The album's first single release and one of the more appealing pop cuts is the folk-flavored "Raspberry Beret" which is in some degrees like a toned-down version of "Little Red Corvette," showing the degree that the artist has taken as to mellowing out his songs and image. But Prince remains still somewhat playful on the closure of side one with "Tambourine," a cute and slight sexual teaser, but not near the degree that we have seen from Prince in the past.

Side two reflects a side of "Boy Purple" which we are more familiar with, being the post-funk-rock elements which have always been his trademark. The songs are zesty and provocative, especially on the morally aware "Pop Life" and social-eye-opening "America"; both could have fit easily into the score of "Purple Rain."

The final two tracks turn away from the mortal world in search of a higher degree of understanding. "The Ladder" is a profusely orchestrated, saxophone-spiced gospel which could represent today's youth and their views on God. Prince goes further and even gives us a strange but spicy ending. "Temptation" gives a one-act play into the conflicting life of Boy Wonder, where his wilder image is revealed through brash guitars

and sexual lyrics only to be confronted in the end by his God, Maker, or Whatever. Many will take this as a signal that Prince has really gone off, though others may see this as a sign of gospel rebirth.

Indeed daring and with a bit of flare, but strange and close to what was not the most musically inspiring album of his career, still it could be noted as one of his more psychologically aware or better-thinking works.

"Around The World In A Day" with-

out a doubt closes a chapter for Prince in his life and career. Where or what will be next is as they say: Anybody's guess. While "World" lacks the success elements and sure punch of "1999" and "Purple Rain," this album raises some serious questions about this artist, many of which will hopefully be answered in the near future. Even though this album falters, it is at least interesting enough to obtain as a collector's item, so in years to come one can look back and say: This is where Prince decided to make a change.

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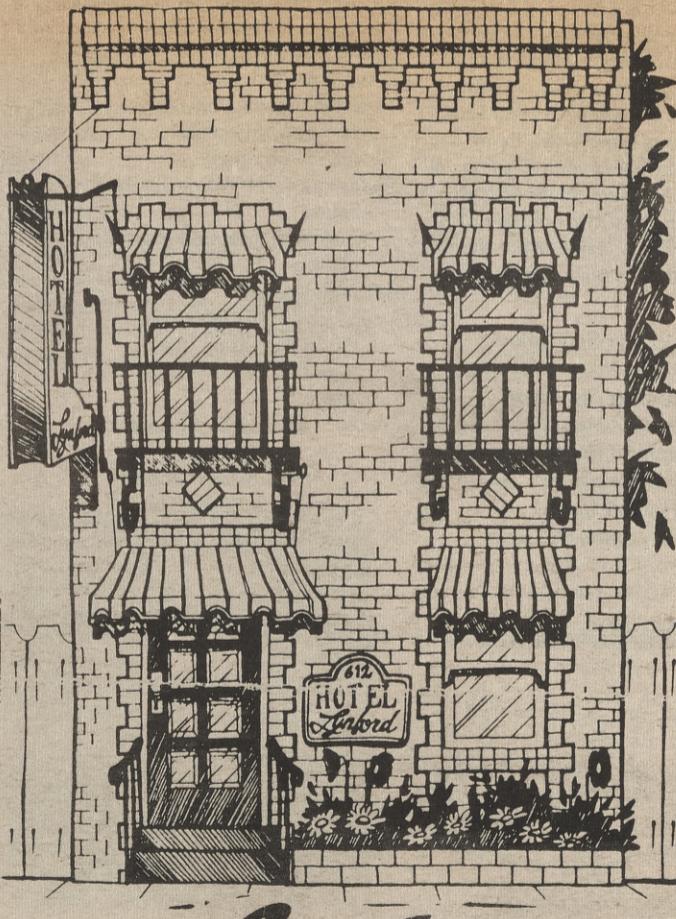
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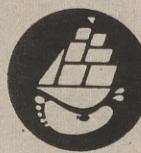
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## EMERYVILLE

Cetus Corp. recently was granted a patent on a new genetically engineered drug that scientists say may offer treatment for various cancers and infectious diseases including AIDS.

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Interleukin-2 is a member of a group of natural proteins called lymphokines that are powerful regulators of the body's disease-fighting immune system.

Cetus officials said they expect to market the product in 1988.

## ALBUQUERQUE

The gay and lesbian community in Albuquerque now has a new home at 1101 Cardenas N.E., Suite 203. Common Bond received a seed-money grant from the New Mexico Foundation for Human Enrichment to establish a community center. The grant provides \$25,000 over 2½ years to pay for rent and start-up costs. The center is expected to be self-supporting by the end of the grant period.

The new community center will provide meeting space at minimal cost to lesbian and gay organizations and groups. The center will also house the Common Bond Information Line and Membership Library. This Cardenas location has been leased for one year and is currently being remodeled at the landlord's expense for the community center. During this first year, needs and requirements of the community center will be assessed to determine if the lease should be renewed or if a different location should be selected. Involvement and support of the center determine if the grant will be continued past its first year.

Common Bond is very thankful for the countless hours Lou Cimalone from J. Brent & Associates spent locating this space. Russell Gray, Common Bond's Executive Director, also spent many hours looking for space.

Donations are needed of equipment such as storage cabinets, filing cabinets, a microwave oven, a color TV, a VCR, a stereo, a long-announcement message telephone answering machine, and wall clocks. The items will be used in the center or sold at a garage sale to raise money to defray operating costs. Donations for the center are tax deductible. For more information, call the Information Line at (505) 266-8041.

## SOMERSET COUNTY

A sheriff in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, was recently charged with 19 counts of sexual assault. Sheriff Guy Davis, 41, allegedly forced six inmates at the county jail to perform sex acts with him and to pose for lewd pictures.

Davis was charged with six counts each of indecent assault, indecent exposure, and official oppression plus one count of deviate sexual intercourse said State Attorney General Leroy S. Zimmerman.

Zimmerman said Davis, sheriff and jail warden since 1980, was accused of using his position as sheriff and warden to pressure the male inmates into repeatedly participating in homosexual acts in 1983 and 1984.

Zimmerman also said that the sheriff allegedly photographed inmates in pornographic poses and forced them to perform homosexual sex acts while he watched. Davis also allegedly used his power to threaten or reward inmates.

Zimmerman said that an investigation was begun after inmates complained to the Prison Parole Board about Davis.

## INDIANAPOLIS

This year in Indianapolis, the slogan for Pride Week will be "Alive With Pride in '85."

The Fifth Annual Pride Week Brunch will be held on June 30 at the Atkinson Hotel in Indianapolis. Comie Robin Tyler has been confirmed as a guest speaker. This year 350 people are expected to attend the Brunch.

Since 1980, Justice, Inc. has sponsored the Gay Pride Week Brunch. Currently, over 35 gay/lesbian organizations have affiliated themselves with Justice, Inc.

## ATLANTA

Registration forms for the Annual 4th of July Softball Event, which will be played July 4-7, are now available. Several teams have already committed themselves to play in the 1985 Armory Classic 2. Organizers have arranged for the players to have the excellent facilities of Southside Park which has 4 diamonds.

The low plane fares have made it possible for teams from everywhere to come to this year's tournament. Teams that need a registration form should contact the Tournament Office at Armory Classic 2, 336 5th Street N.E. Suite 3, Atlanta, GA 30308 or call (404) 873-4332.

## SANTA FE

One of the brighter happenings for gays and lesbians in Santa Fe this year has been the meeting of plans for a gay coffeehouse to begin in the near future. A group of men have been meeting and pooling ideas for the creation of a public gay space that would be an alternative to the bar/disco scene.

The initial goal of the group is to establish a coffeehouse that operates one night a week. A casual space is being sought where coffee, teas, and desserts would be the main fare.

The coffeehouse will have a warm and friendly atmosphere. It will also provide a stage for singers, musicians, poets, and other performers in the northern New Mexico gay community.

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The fact that Santa Fe is a lesbian Mecca is not well known; but for over 50 years, the capital city of New Mexico has been the home to a disproportionately large lesbian population.

Lesbians began coming into the city in the 1920s. Most of the early women were from upper middle class and wealthy families. Many were "remittance women;" that is, they were women who were an embarrassment to their families and were paid to stay away. They built their own culture; and as word spread, the lesbian community grew.

## BOSTON

Massachusetts officials, facing opposition to the placement of foster children with homosexuals, outlined a new policy recently that makes it virtually impossible for lesbians and gay men to take youngsters into their care.

"The presumption is, the most appropriate placement is with a relative or in a traditional setting," said Human Services Secretary Philip W. Johnston.

Johnston said it was "highly unlikely" that the state Department of Social Services would place foster children in the homes of gay men or lesbian women.

## POMONA/SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

The Pomona-San Gabriel Valley Great Outdoors is featuring a premium wilderness experience in the Sierra on July 4. Backpacks will be carried to the campsite on the backs of mules. For more info, contact John (714) 861-7330.

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The Third Annual July Fourth Freedom Festival at Pine Hill Farms, near Riverside, sponsored by the Pomona/San Gabriel Valley Gay/Lesbian Coalition, fits right into the national theme of "Alive With Pride In '85!" It has become one of the highlights of the year for the lesbian/gay communities in the areas between Pasadena and San Bernardino/Riverside.

There will be a good selection of quality food at reasonable prices; cold sodas, coffee and tea; service from a full bar; contests and games for all ages; entertainment and dancing; a clown circus, and a dunking booth.

Attendance this year is expected to exceed a thousand or more. Gates will open at noon. General admission, \$2; children under 12, \$1.

Applications for booth space and for entertainment spots are available. Volunteers are needed for ticket sales, monitors, first aid, grounds staff, games leaders, etc. For information or tickets, contact: Festival Committee, 710 W. Orange Grove, Pomona, CA 91768 or phone (714) 620-6608.

## LOUISVILLE

The Gay and Lesbian Library at the Community Center is open from 6 to 8:30 PM MWF, and 10 AM to 2 PM on Sundays.

The Library is looking for more books. To make donations, contact Lambda Louisville, Inc. PO Box 8415, Louisville, KY 40208.

## NEW YORK CITY

Fifth Avenue will get a lavender stripe for the June 30, 1985 Gay/Lesbian Pride Day Parade in New York City! At least 35 blocks of the Avenue will be striped, from Central Park South (59th Street) to 25th Street, according to Candida Scott Piel, Co-Coordinator of Heritage of Pride, Inc., the organizer of the annual parade and rally.

"This is something we've wanted to do for many years, but there's never been enough money, and until last year, we didn't have a legal permit to march on Fifth Avenue, so the City wouldn't stripe it. The difference this year is that we will have a permit and we've been pledged \$1000 for the stripe," Piel said. The pledge was made by Steven Powsner, a local attorney. "We are really grateful to Steven for this pledge and think the stripe is one more way of emphasizing this year's theme, 'You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet!'" Piel continued.

Fifth Avenue has always been considered New York's 'Main Street' and the stripe is a tangible way of saying that the gay/lesbian community is just as much a part of New York as the Irish or any other community," said Brian O'Dell, Heritage of Pride's other Co-Coordinator. Fifth Avenue has been striped green for St. Patrick's Day parades for more than 20 years.

Groups, businesses, and individuals interested in contributing to stripe the remaining 19 blocks of the Avenue should contact Heritage of Pride at 259 W. 45th Street, Second Floor Suite, New York, NY 10036 (212) 869-2922. The cost of the stripe is \$30 per block.

The City's Traffic Bureau will be responsible for painting the stripe. Heritage of Pride has submitted lavender paint chips which the Bureau is attempting to match. The City's charges are based on its direct costs in painting the stripe, including materials and employee overtime. The stripe will be painted in latex paint which traffic wears off in several days.

## INGHAM COUNTY

A legal challenge to governmental funding of health services targeted for gay people was unanimously rejected recently by the Michigan Court of Appeals. The Court directed that the plaintiffs pay the county for legal costs.

The Court rejected the argument that gay people are presumptive criminals because an old Michigan criminal law which forbids a host of sexual practices. The Court concluded that the challengers did not identify any statute or ordinance which made the contract for the provision of crisis intervention and medical and mental health counseling unlawful or illegal.

## WASHINGTON, D.C.

The U.S. Supreme Court let stand a lower court ruling that federal civil rights laws, while protecting women from sex discrimination, did not protect transsexuals.

Karen Frances Ulane, formerly Kenneth Ulane, had logged over 8000 hours in the air during a 16-year career with Eastern Airlines as a man. She was dismissed from her job after sexual reassignment.

Ulane, 43, contended that the case against Eastern involved breach of labor contract. Eastern charged that transsexuals were safety risks in stressful situations. Eastern won the case when a lower court concluded that the Civil Rights Act, Title VII, does not protect transsexuals.

The high court decided that if Eastern did discriminate against Ulane, it was because Ulane is a transsexual, not a female. Ulane's lawyer argued that a condition of Ms. Ulane's continued employment was that she remain a man and that this constitutes sex discrimination.

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The Detroit Area Gay Lesbian Council has planned several events as part of its Pride Week Celebration. Activities include lesbian and gay film showings, a women's music concert, a forum on AIDS, a motorcade to Ann Arbor's march and rally, a local author signing, an art fair, and a forum on prostitution. Pride Week will end on Sunday, June 30 with a major celebration including national speakers, workshops, music, organization/business/art displays, and a dance.

**LONG BEACH**

Long Beach Lesbian and Gay Pride, Inc. is in the final preparation stages of this city's annual Gay Pride Celebration. The festival will be Sat. and Sun., June 15 and 16. The parade will begin at noon on Sun. which is also Father's Day.

The theme for all nationwide pride celebration by Lesbian and Gay communities this June is "Alive With Pride In '85." Long Beach is just that!

Long Beach's beautiful and unique Shoreline Aquatic Park (Shoreline Drive at Pine Avenue) will again be the locale for the festival. Hours will be from 10 AM to 10 PM both days. Admission will be \$5 per day. More than 15,000 people are expected to attend and to enjoy the games, sports, swimming, sun bathing, artists, information booths, food, continuous live entertainment, disco, etc. The setting is a lush peninsula amidst a palm grove surrounded by a marina, Shoreline Village, the Queen Mary, and the Long Beach skyline.

To insure attendance for all, a major goal of LBLGP, the festival is easily accessible by the physically disadvantaged. Specially designed restrooms will be spaced throughout the grounds. Signers for the hearing impaired will be at all entertainment areas.

**WEST HOLLYWOOD**

Mayor Valerie Tarrigno has introduced legislation that would allow unmarried couples to register their relationships with the city.

The "domestic partnership" measure is similar to a law enacted by the Berkeley city government last year, and has been urged by gay activists as symbolic recognition of gay relationships. Unmarried heterosexual couples and unmarried senior citizens who live together could benefit from the law.

**MERCED**

A gay support group is being formed in Merced. One organizational meeting was held in late May. For more information, contact Geri Stewart at (209) 723-8861. After 5 PM an answering service is available to take a message.

**SAN JOSE**

Affirmation, an organization for gay and lesbian Mormons, is forming a San Jose group because of an increasing gay Latter-day Saint population in the South Bay Area.

Affirmation has 15 chapters and groups nationwide and provides social, emotional, and spiritual support for hundreds of LDS and RLDS men and women.

The group which covers Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and lower San Mateo invites all gay and lesbian Mormons and their friends to meet with them. For information, call the DeFrank Community Center at (408) 293-4525. Literature about Affirmation can be obtained by writing PO Box 4875, San Jose, CA 95150.

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For more information, contact Lyle's Deck, 120 E. Atol St., PO Box 2326, South Padre Island, TX 78597, or call (512) 943-3632.

**FRESNO**

Fresno will be celebrating Gay Pride Month with several activities.

Returning to the tradition that won top honors in '81 and '82, Fresno will be out for another prize with its '85 float in San Francisco's annual Pride Parade. Construction will be going on throughout June at the parking lot of the Gay Community Center at 606 E. Belmont.

On June 10, the monthly 2nd Monday program will be a showing of "Choosing Children," a film about lesbians in a variety of circumstances who have raised children. The program is co-sponsored by Gay United Services and the Lesbian Rights Committee of NOW, and will be shown at 8 PM at the Community Center.

On June 23 at the Center, GUS will hold a "Take Pride Day," during which gay women and men are encouraged to bring friends and relatives to our Community Center. For the occasion, there will be videos with positive gay portrayals (news programs, films, etc.); book displays, art exhibits, music, and a panel discussion.

Also during the month (date not yet fixed), there will be an ecumenical service sponsored by MCC involving clergymen and women from several local churches, affirming the inclusion of gays in the Christian community.

**MODESTO**

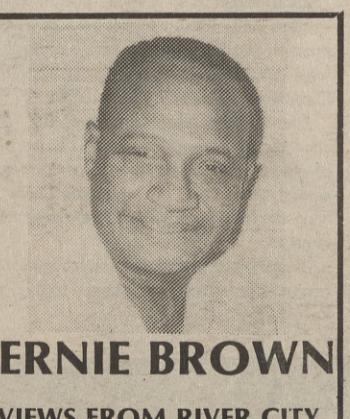
The Owl Empire of Stanislaus County (SOE), a service organization, is planning a party bus to Reno for August 24-25. Round trip from Modesto will be \$45 and will include motel and \$22.50 in tokens for gambling upon arrival. There will be only 44 seats available. For more information, contact Dan Gilbert at (209) 575-9584, or write SOE.

**CHICAGO**

A pamphlet entitled *Computer Lists and Gays: Some Things You Should Know* is available from the National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals (NOGLSTP).

The pamphlet outlines how information about sexual orientation is obtained and disseminated by insurance companies, medical facilities, credit bureaus, and law-enforcement agencies. Of particular concern is the question of confidentiality in AIDS research and testing, areas in which, the pamphlet stresses, there are insufficient privacy safeguards.

The six-page pamphlet contains a bibliography. It is free upon request from the organization. Write: NOGLSTP, PO Box 14138, Chicago, IL 60614.



**ERNIE BROWN**

**VIEWS FROM RIVER CITY**

Attention: All members of The Rhinesones, Feathers, and Glitter Set, of which I am a charter member. Sacramento Opera Association has announced its 1985-86 season. So get out your calendars and reserve, reserve, reserve, and I do indeed mean "reserve" the following dates: Sept. 12 (Gala Concert); September 20 or 22 (La Boheme); November 22 or 24 (Die Fledermaus); and February 14 or 16, 1986 (Lucia di Lammermoor). The Friday dates are evening performances at 8:00 and the Sunday dates are afternoon performances at 2:00. SOA always puts on a great show, and the lobby always looks like a local gay convention, so don't miss going to at least one performance of each opera. Of course, if you're a serious opera lover, you'll go to all the performances...Congratulations in a big way to Carlo Djurovich for the recent opening of the Djurovich Gallery at 727½ J. Street. This has to be one of the most impressive art galleries in Northern California. Don't fail to check it out. And don't stop there—give some serious thought to buying a piece of art. Remember, we gays have "buying power." And what's the sense of having any kind of "power" if we don't use it?...I am not going to boast; however, I

**SAN FRANCISCO**

Awaiting marchers and watchers of this year's Lesbian/Gay Freedom Parade on Sunday, June 30, will be a great Celebration at Civic Center, at the end of the Parade route. Well-known lesbian and gay artists, entertainers, musicians, community leaders, and activists will participate.

A highlight at the Celebration site will be the vast numbers of booths and concessions featuring a wide variety of food, information tables for community organizations, and commercial booths presented by businesses and individuals serving the lesbian, gay, and bisexual community.

Organizations, businesses, food vendors, and individuals who wish to participate in this year's Celebration should contact Russell at (415) 644-3338 or at the Parade Celebration office at (415) 861-5404.

**BOSTON**

Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD) is participating in the Sodomy Law Project, aimed at challenging the sodomy laws in the 25 states which still have such laws on the books. Composed mainly of lesbian and gay legal organizations and ACLU chapters from throughout the country, the group meets to pool resources and develop strategies. Several challenges have been filed throughout the country over the last few months, and GLAD is continuing research into a possible challenge to the Massachusetts sodomy statute.

The Third Edition of GLAD's *National Attorney's Directory for Lesbian and Gay Rights* was published recently. The *Directory* lists lesbian and gay attorneys, and attorneys sympathetic to lesbian and gay legal issues, on a state-by-state basis. The *Directory*, which also serves as a networking tool for lawyers doing lesbian and gay-rights litigation, is available from GLAD for \$10 plus \$2 postage and handling.

GLAD is seeking to expand its pool of cooperating attorneys to assist more gay men and lesbians. Attorneys throughout New England are needed.

For more information, contact GLAD, PO Box 218, Boston, MA 02112 or call (617) 426-1350.

**LOS ANGELES**

The purpose of the AIDS Hotline is to provide information, referrals, and support to anyone who has or is concerned about AIDS.

In 1984, an average of 400 calls per month were handled. So far in 1985, the hotline is averaging 800 calls per month and the number is increasing.

The Hotline is currently staffed 12 hours per day during the week from 9 AM to 9 PM and from 9 AM to 3 PM on weekends. There are answering machines to take messages when the listeners are not in. All messages are confidential, and calls are returned promptly.

The goal is to expand to a 24-hour operation by the end of the year. To achieve this, it is necessary to start recruiting more volunteers who can be available during the day. New training classes are scheduled approximately every three months.

For more information, contact AIDS Project Los Angeles, 7362 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90046, or telephone (213) 871-1284.

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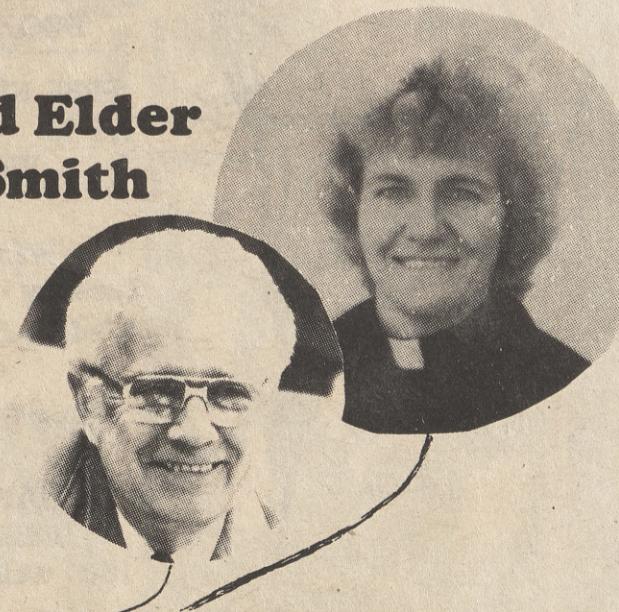


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## **Gay's Denied Dental Benefits In CA**

A California State Court of Appeal ruled recently that the domestic partners of homosexual state employees cannot receive the same dental benefits as heterosexual spouses because they cannot be legally married.

The decision upheld a Sacramento County Superior Court decision made 17 months ago to deny benefits to Boyce R. Hinman, 47, of Carmichael.

Hinman, a 10-year employee of the state, sued the state of California in December 1982. He asked that Larry Beatty, his live-in lover of 12 years, be given the same dental benefits as the spouses of other public employees.

The appellate court said that Hinman's lover was excluded from receiving benefits in the same way as any other non-family members.

Associate Justice Edwin Regan wrote in the opinion that "neither the state constitution's equal protection clause nor the executive order banning employment discrimination against homosexuals by the state provides ground for expanding the benefits at issue here."

The city of Berkeley is the only jurisdiction in the state of California that grants spousal benefits to gay couples.

An attorney representing the Lesbian Rights Project said the case would be appealed to the state Supreme Court.

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## **A Gay-Bias Political Issue In California**

Political observers expect discrimination against gay women and men to play a part in California's 1986 Republican US Senate nomination.

The incumbent, Democrat Senator Alan Cranston, has established a supportive record on gay rights. However, discrimination against gay people is a potentially divisive issue in the conservative wing of the California GOP.

Although the primary is more than a year away, state Sen. Ed Davis, who is a leading contender for the Republican senatorial nomination, has been criticized because of his vote in favor of an anti-discrimination bill for gays. More recently, a conservative group sent a letter to potential Cranston opponents demanding a disavowal of support from the gay community in the campaign.

Four early contenders, including Davis, have acknowledged receipt of the letter. Only Davis has confronted the issues directly.

Davis said the letter was a request to pledge discrimination against gay women and men and an attempt to exclude them from the political process. He categorized the effort as un-American and expressed indignation about any attempted denial of basic constitutional rights. Davis insists that participation in the political process should not be prevented because of sexual orientation.

Davis has developed a strategy to win the nomination by confronting gay-rights issues directly and thus to defuse them.

## **Red Cross Will Notify Blood Donors About AIDS Tests**

Red Cross blood centers across the country during June will notify donors whose blood shows signs of exposure to AIDS.

The American Red Cross, which is responsible for about half of the nation's blood supply, has been running tests on its blood since early March seeking evidence of exposure to the virus causing AIDS.

About two in every 1000 donated units of blood have tested positive, said Dr. Alfred Gindon, director of blood services at the Atlanta center. Such blood is destroyed.

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## HAMBURG

The first memorial to an estimated 250,000 homosexuals killed in Nazi concentration camps was unveiled recently at the site of the Neuengamme camp.

The pink granite monument, bearing the inscription "Dedicated to the Homosexual Victims of National Socialism, 1985," was erected by a group called the Independent Alternative Homosexuals.

Homosexuals were rounded up by the Nazis and put to death along with 6 million Jews in Adolf Hitler's effort to weed out deviants and create an Aryan master race.

Many ceremonies have taken place this spring to mark the 40th anniversary of the liberation of the camps and the Allied victory over Hitler, but the dedication at Neuengamme was the first event focusing exclusively on the Third Reich's homosexual victims.

## JOHANNESBURG

The Gay Association of South Africa (GASA) was organized in 1982 and now has 16,000 members, half of whom live in the Johannesburg area. Most of the members are male and white, although the group is international and does not keep statistics on its members' racial identity. There are nine branches in the major South African cities. GASA publishes a monthly newsletter.

GASA can be contacted at Box 3330, Johannesburg 2000, South Africa. The office is open from 7-10 PM and can be reached by dialing 725-4703 011-27-11.

## INTERNATIONAL GAY NEWS

### TOKYO

Established five years ago by a Japanese businessman, the Elizabeth Club in Tokyo is unique. The club offers everything that a man needs to change into a woman for the evening.

The club does not serve alcohol. However, it carries a wide selection of extra-size women's clothing. Also, it provides the club's magazine, *Queen*, which is Japan's only gay publication.

All members use only their female nicknames in order to protect their privacy.

Although club regulars generally say they are gay, many say they are not homosexual. More than half of Elizabeth's 600 members are married and say that in Japan the difference between being homosexual and gay is that gays engage in cross-dressing as a hobby.

Most club members hide their hobby from family and friends. They prefer to live two lives of separate genders rather than alienate themselves from society.

Most club members have cross-dressed for years. And members generally say they have no difficulty re-adjusting to their male roles outside the club.

Customers pay \$16 each visit. In addition, there are rental fees for costumes. Last year the club grossed a million dollars, and this year is expected to be even better because of an increasing clientele resulting from an advertising campaign. In the fall, the company plans to introduce an English edition of *Queen* magazine in the United States.

### PARIS

Late in May, the French National Assembly approved a proposal to make discrimination on the basis of sex or sexual preference a crime punishable by up to two years in jail and a fine of \$4300.

The law would equate sexual discrimination—including that against homosexuals—with racism. Under current French law, it is illegal to discriminate against people in housing, employment, and other areas on the basis of race. It is also illegal to make overtly racist public statements or statements that would incite racist acts by others.

### TORONTO

Toronto will host an international conference on lesbian and gay history at the University of Toronto campus July 3-6, 1985. The theme of the conference will be "Sex and the State: Their Laws, Our Lives." The ways in which laws and morality have restricted homosexual behavior will be examined also. The ways in which gay and lesbian identity have developed in various cultures and how individuals have resisted the attempts to control their public and private lives will be discussed.

For more information, write Canadian Gay Archives, PO Box 639, Station A, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5W 1G2, telephone (416) 364-2759.

## GETTIN THERE



by TOM DOLAN

### BATHHOUSE BLUES

"Uncle Tom," yawned Cupcake, "I was thinking of maybe checking out the new health club tonight. I haven't anything better to do, and I hear it's really nice."

"I'm sure it is, my lad," I agreed. "What unsettles me is this club is opening its doors just as others are being asked to close theirs."

"It's not where you go, it's what you do that counts! I've heard you say that yourself, Uncle Tom," said the indefatigable Cupcake.

"That's quite true, m'boy. But are you certain you won't get carried away by soft lights, seductive music, and hot bodies? If past performances in other bathhouses are any indication...."

"It's not a bathhouse!" insisted Cupcake. "They have a pool. They have a jacuzzi. They have exercise equipment."

"And private rooms," I pointed out.

"They don't have glory holes. They even hand out rubbers at the door. And Dr. Squirrel lectures on safe sex every other Wednesday night."

"God bless'm," I said. "I'm sure it's Heaven's gift to Hillcrest. I'd be sorely tempted myself—if I didn't have you," I droned on, flashing what I consider my most winning smile.

"That's very sweet, Uncle Tom. I'm glad you have me. And I'm glad I have you. But I need to see some guys my own age once in awhile," said the determined Cupcake.

"If all you do is see them, that's fine. But if you're anything like me, you won't be able to stop there," I said.

"I thought you'd understand," whimpered Cupcake, tilting his head to one side and giving me his now-famous Bambi look.

"I do, m'boy. I'm just a bit uneasy about your plans for the rest of the evening. Let's talk about it a little more before you take off." I was playing for time. It was nearly midnight, and I had observed

several giant yawns, the kind Cupcake usually reserved for Biblical epics. He couldn't last much longer—without coffee.

"Would you like a cup of coffee, Uncle Tom," asked Cupcake as if reading my mind? "I'm going to fix one for myself."

"Don't trouble yourself, m'boy," I said. "I was thinking of turning in soon. It's cold and dark out there. Looks like rain. There isn't much gas in the car, and we have to get up early in the morning."

"You're as transparent as a supersensitive condom! You're trying to keep me in the house tonight," announced the irritated Cupcake. "I just know it!"

"Whatever gave you that idea!" I exclaimed in mock astonishment.

"I'm not as dumb as you say I am," said Cupcake. Angry trenches lined his otherwise cherubic face. He was getting mad.

"You're so cute when you're mad," I said tritely, hoping to make him smile.

"That does it! How dare you patronize me! Soon as I've had my coffee, I'm taking off," said Cupcake, wiping away a bit of froth that had formed in the corner of his mouth.

I heard him rattling around in the kitchen. It sounded like he was using every pot, every pan, every piece of glassware and crockery to make himself one exceptionally strong cup of coffee.

When he reappeared in the living-room bearing two cups of creamed and sugared java, I knew I'd have one more shot at friendly persuasion.

"Don't try to talk me out of it," he said, again reading my mind.

"I wouldn't dream of trying to talk you out of it," I lied. "I just wonder if you know what you're doing."

"I'm only doing what you did a million times," he said.

I felt a rosy flush rise from my neck and shoulders to suffuse my scalp.

"Ouch! That's a bit of an exaggeration, don't you think?" I said, trying to keep my cool. "We're in the middle of a goddam epidemic, for crissake! What's it take to get that through your thick skull!"

"There's none so virtuous as a reformed sinner!" pronounced Cupcake with aplomb. He cracked a sly smile and took a sip of coffee.

"You're quite right, m'boy," I said, collecting my wits. "I thought you'd reformed too. Especially since we learned the virus can lie dormant for years and...."

"I always practice **safe sex**," protested Cupcake, pouting prettily across his cup.

"I'm glad to hear that," I said, "but I'd be interested to know what you think is safe this week. We used to think kissing was safe. Now we're not supposed to do any serious kissing unless we're in a long-term relationship."

"I know," simpered Cupcake. "It's terrible!"

"If it weren't for you, Baby—if I couldn't cuddle with you, if I couldn't sleep with my arms around you, I might be the first man on line at the new health club. I'm weak. That's why I wish they wouldn't tempt us," I said.

"You don't have to go," said Cupcake.

"Lead us not into temptation," I said, rolling my eyes to heaven.

"Nobody's twisting your arm," said Cupcake. "Or your balls."

"If I don't get my quota of hugs, I go berzerk," I confessed.

"Maybe all I need is hugs," said Cupcake, putting the squeeze on my knee.

"You probably miss the excitement of anonymous sex with multiple partners," I said, sounding like a textbook. "It was fun, wasn't it?"

"Gee, I dunno. I'm beginning to forget," said Cupcake, a small tear taking shape in the corner of his eye. "But wait a minute!" he suddenly said sitting up straight and placing a finger to his lips. "I used to spend the whole night from orgasm to orgasm, just looking for somebody who would hold me."

"I did the same thing," I admitted.

"What if I promised to do nothing but look?" inquired the every-horny Cupcake.

"Sure. I trust you," I fibbed. "But I just happen to have an old video tape you haven't seen. It's called **Bathhouse Jamboree**. You might get a kick out of it."

"What if I promise to do nothing—but hug?" asked the persistent Cupcake, "and maybe jack off?"

"Sounds good," I agreed, flicking on the VCR.

In seconds two hunky lads in yellow satin shorts and striped athletic socks came into focus on the tube. In no time at all, paintful-looking boners popped into plain view. The satin-clad lads wasted no time in reaching for each other's equipment.

"I must have put on the wrong tape," I said. "This looks more like **The Class of '85**. Oh, well, they're all the same, aren't they?"

"It looks interesting," observed Cupcake, giving my knee another squeeze. "Anyway," he continued, "it's cold and dark out there. It looks like rain. There isn't much gas in the car, and we have to get up early in the morning."

## Listening To Lavender!

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Dear Ms. Cantello,

Hank and I lived happily for over seven years in Baltimore where we first met. He always talked a lot about how he'd love to move back to Midland where he grew up. Well, to make a long story short, I finally let him talk me into moving back there. The worst mistake I ever made.

Hank never once told me that in Midland he has literally dozens of relatives, all of whom are rednecks from the word go and who one way or another manage to completely run his life. Around them, he is an entirely different person than the one I knew for so long in Baltimore. With one not-so-visible exception, all of those relatives refuse to even admit to my existence, much less accept me as part of the family or as someone of importance to Hank. All along, Hank has kept reassuring me that "It takes time." Well, Lavender, I finally, after three and a half years, realize that it will take more time than I have left on this earth. So I've decided to take off, take a powder, get the hell out of this jerk-water Texas burg.

I'm not asking for sympathy. I realize what I have to do and I'm determined to do it and to pull my life together somewhere else. I'm 36, so it won't be easy; but I can do it.

I was wondering, do you have any suggestions for a man my age who has been out of circulation now for about 10 years and who has never once been unfaithful to his present lover? Although I'm determined to make a better life for myself, I'm also worried. Anything you can suggest will be appreciated, but hurry because I plan to take off in about 6 weeks on a certain date that will be convenient for my purposes.

Harold  
(Midland)

Dear Harold,

My heart goes out to you. And to Hank, too, because once you leave, he's going to find himself in a lonely situation. Wherever you go, you too will be very lonely for awhile; but you'll be in a position to do more about your loneliness than Hank will about his back there in red-neck-infested Midland.

You didn't mention how far away from Midland you intend to go. I do hope it is a long way away and somewhere where Hank won't be able to find you easily, if at all. I'd be willing to bet that if he can locate you, he'll try to talk you into returning to him. And during those first few weeks in your new life, when you will be at your most lonely and vulnerable, it will be hard to resist his appeals. But resist you must.

You have made what sounds to me to be a sound decision. Stick with it. Thirty-six is not very old actually, and things in the gay world haven't changed all that much in the last decade. And the changes that have occurred have been, in my opinion, improvements.

But be careful. Don't fall in love for at least a full year. You need time to heal, to get back on your feet, to pull yourself together, to get the lay of the land, to meet new people, to learn a new job, to calm down, to think things through. You'll need sex and affection, sure, but what you certainly won't need are the complications of a rebound affair.

The best of luck. I'm rooting for you. You'll make it.

Dear Lavender Cantello,

I met a dude this last week in a local gay bar. I'm pretty certain that he was from out of town; I just got the feeling that he wasn't from around here although he didn't talk much. Said his name was Bill.

Well, anyhow, I invited Bill home for a little you know what, and he accepted pronto. One thing led to another just as I expected it would.

But, Lavender, just before we hopped into the sack, Bill politely asked if I minded if he said "a word of prayer." What could I say; after all, it was my home and I had to be polite although I don't put much faith in prayer. His prayer was short and to the point: He

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asked the Lord to bless us and our actions. I was startled to say the least. But you know what, that whole night was full of some of the best action I've ever had.

Then the next morning, just before he departed he prayed again and thanked the Lord for bringing the two of us together and for the "fun he'd provided for us!" I almost dropped my teeth.

Lavender, who and what do you think that dude was and what was he up to anyhow with all his praying and carryings-on? And why do you suppose he was so cagey about not letting me know exactly who he was and how to get in touch with him again. I wouldn't mind putting up with a little more prayer in order to get a little more of that kind of action. Do you suppose he was sincere?

Destry  
(Bangor)

Destry Dear,

My guess is that Bill was some sort of minister from out of town. If not a minister, at least a deacon. Many ministers and deacons like gay encounters and seek them out when they are away from home. He was probably in town attending some sort of conference or other church-related business.

I also speculate that Bill was making sure that you found out very little about him. Gay ministers and deacons, especially married ones, prefer to remain anonymous and tend to be very cagey. I've known several of them. There's a tough life.

Whoever and whatever he was, Bill sounds like a nice, caring person; and he obviously did more than just make love to you. He taught you a lesson. Remember it.

Dear Mrs. Cantello,

I don't believe you exist in the flesh. If you do, I hope that you are shamed of your self for getting involved in so much of the devil's mess. Try answering my letter which will give you some thing to think about in a Godly fashion. I seen your news paper at church where the Lord's servant was showing us the evils of California. Per teck me Jesus.

I'm a God fearing woman. All ways have been & thank you Jesus all ways will be.

My brother Marshall turned out to be a homo which broke my parents' faith full hart. He now lives in San Francisco. It pains me to mention it. For give me Jesus.

My man took off a year ago leaving me with 6 kids to feed. I can't go to work because I believe in a Christian woman's place is in the home per taking her kids from homos and things like that that lurch a round. Help us all Jesus.

Dont you think its about time Marshall came home to take care of me and my kids? Dont you agree that he owes it to us being a homo like he is including Jesus?

There ain't any more homos around here that I know about. So if Marshall came home he'd not find any other homo to do any thing awful with so he'd soon turn to Jesus and be saved. Then he'd be pleased to take care of his sister who loves him and her children like Jesus wants him to do. Thank you Jesus.

Myrtle  
(Stillwater)

Dear Myrtle,

Thank you for your interesting letter. I'm so sorry that I can't possibly publish all 10½ pages of it.

Myrtle, please leave your brother alone. Let him live his own life. He owes you nothing so far as I can tell from your letter.

And Myrtle, rest assured that there are many, many homos in Stillwater. People who study such things now believe that probably one out of every ten persons is at least inwardly a homo. So you see, Myrtle, there are probably homos around every corner in Stillwater. You probably know lots of them. Remember that woman can be homos too; it's not an exclusively masculine condition. Homos don't have tails and horns. They don't look or act any different than you do. Most of them are real nice people just like you; some of them aren't so nice just like some of the other people that you undoubtedly know. A lot of them are just as concerned about

getting to Heaven as you are.

One other thing, Myrtle, get off you duff and find a job. The Lord helps her who helps herself. It'll do you good (and your six kids too) for you to get out of the house and start earning money and meeting people, including more homos. Jesus would approve just like he approves of a lot of homos. You'll love working, and you'll love meeting some nice homos, I just know it. Hang in there, hon.

Dear Lavender,

Vincent needs re-doing because he's unsophisticated. Notice I said "unsophisticated," not uneducated; he's got plenty of schooling. "But gobs of education doth not a sophisticate make," to quote my Grandmother.

My plan is to take first things first, to work down the list as I cross things off. Number One on my "Improvement Of Vincent List" is his eating habits. Under that general heading there are four sub-topics: A. Breakfast; B. Luncheon; C. Tea; and D. Dinner. Lavender, please help me plan my strategy for sub-topic A.

Vincent claims that he prefers "plain food." For example, each and every day he eats exactly the same dismal, abysmally unappetizing breakfast: a large bowl of hot buttered grits washed down by several cups of jet black coffee. I am forced to avert my eyes from the horror of it all.

Lavender, cooking is my hobby and I would love nothing more than to rise early each day to face the challenge of cooking my beloved Vincent a truly delightful early-morning repast. To give you an example of a typical breakfast menu: freshly squeezed papaya juice laced with a sip or two of imported champagne to brighten his day; two or three slices of Melba toast spread generously with red or yellow caviar; eggs (duck, turkey, or quail if available) lightly basted with clarified, sweet French butter; a small steak cooked very rare and smothered with a chopped kidney; a bit of poached salt-water fish with a small amount of cilantro sauce; and two (and only two) cups of steaming coffee enriched with clotted cream from England.

Lavender, wouldn't you yourself just simply kill for a breakfast like this? (And just think, I've literally dozens of such menus in mind!)

How do you think I should go about getting Vincent to try one of my fabulously sophisticated breakfasts? If I see, much less smell, another bowl of hot buttered grits, I think I just might become impotent and Vincent wouldn't like that, let me assure you.

Elam  
(Manhattan Beach)

Dear Elam,

Honey, your approach is all wrong! Let me assure you: It won't work. The Vincents of the world are hard nuts to crack.

I'd suggest that you take a less direct approach. For example, if I were you, I'd start with the grits, always bearing in mind that millions of Americans would "simply kill" for their daily grits.

Start out by experimenting with grits. With your creativity, I feel sure that you can come up with some absolutely stunning (and I do mean stunning) menus built around grits.

And don't stop there. Experiment with the grits themselves; invent new ways of preparing them. Be bold and resourceful and imaginative. Even outlandish. Don't stick just to breakfast menus; create grits dishes and menus for serving at luncheons, teas, and dinners. Vincent will undoubtedly be much more amenable to sampling your culinary masterpieces if they contain grits in some guise.

After you have created and kitchen tested exactly 69 new grits recipes, write a book entitled, *The Ultimate Grits Cookbook*. Elam, I think you're on the road to fame and fortune. Good luck! (But promise me that you'll go light on those chopped kidneys and cilantro sauces!)

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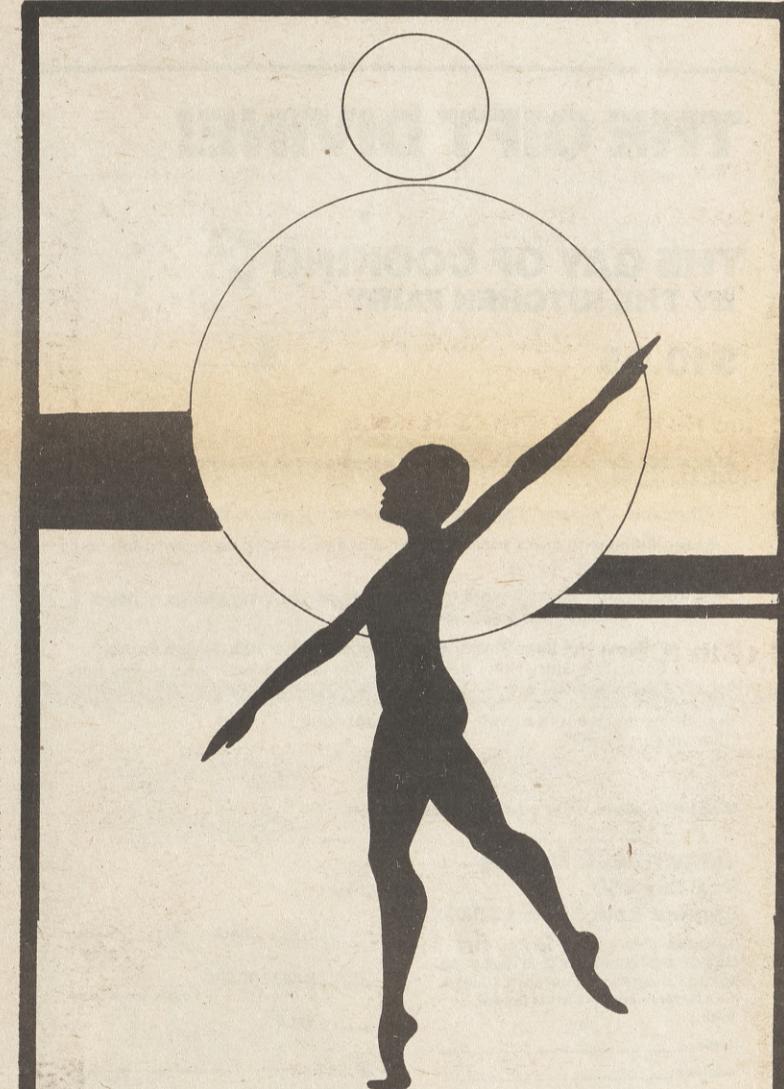
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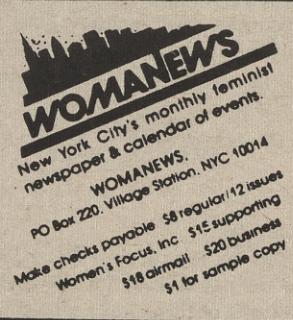
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*The World Can Break Your Heart*, by Daniel Curzon. Knights Press, Stamford, Conn., (1984) 241 pp. \$6.95.

Reviewed by Jay Harrison

The spine of this mostly excellent novel will be recognized, not only by any boy who grew up in a state of ambivalent frenzy over his sexuality, but also by today who read coming-out books.

"This book," says Curzon, "is for all straight readers so they will know what it felt like to grow up gay and for all gay people so they won't forget." While one doubts that either half of the wish is necessary (straight people probably won't read this book; gay people aren't likely to forget), there is a certain didactic thrust, or sword of anger, that serves to speed the story along and give it vigor, not an easy task when an author sets out to tell the whole life of a character.

The opening scene is brilliant; everything after is slightly gray by comparison. Benji, at age two, is almost kidnapped by a woman with a goiter, but rescued in the nick of time by his mother. "They was gonna kidnap you and take you away forever and maybe cut you up into little pieces!" Benji, in later life, wonders if his days might have not been happier had he been snatched away to another home. Psychologically, his life is cut up into little pieces.

The home he grows up in is basically awful—but no worse than millions of others have survived. And that's about what Benji does—survive. He outlasts the daily shocks of his neighborhood, school, and home, his parents' screaming fights, his father's incompetence as both provider and man. The sharp knives of his sorrow.

The Catholic church, here represented by two or three moronic (e.g. typical) priests, is the real villain, when it should have been and could have been the hero. Benji, in desperation, seeking someone to talk with, anyone who could understand his sexual confusion, turns more than once to the confessional and is each time cast out by vicious and stupid representatives of Mother Church. "Sex is holy," Father Hobson says, "always remember that, son. Sex is holy."

We understand, of course, that the priest means sex and holy in only the confined, birdbrained sense of a trained religious parrot. Benji's confusion and restrained scream for help is never heard. Yet, almost miraculously, he continues to choose life over its alternative.

Although attracted to—more than that, in love with—Mike, a high school friend who does not reciprocate, although repulsed by marriage as demonstrated by his parents, Benjamin takes the expected path and marries. He is a good lover to his wife. They have two children.

But before the second is born, Benjamin takes off for Hollywood, to pursue the faint but persistent calling of something else, that seductive magic "Hollywood" has always represented. He intends to become an actor.

But Benjamin becomes a despicable character, a lout, a fool, and a son-of-a-bitch. Hollywood, Curzon seems to say, destroys. It does not build. We can have little sympathy with Benjamin during the final, quickly sketched years of this book. He does find love, at last, with Jim, an AIDS victim. But too late.

*Homosexuals In History*, by A. L. Rowse. Dorset Press, England (1983), 346 pp. hardcover.

Reviewed by Jay Harrison

The subtitle of this engaging, chatty book is "A Study of Ambivalence in Society, Literature and the Arts," almost heavier than the substance to be found between the covers.

Parading in the gown of a scholarly don, A. L. Rowse is actually wearing tulle. His approach is breezy, a mix of bantam-weight biography and hesitant psychological guesswork. Unabashedly biased and personal, more often operating from a position of innuendo and insupportable conclusion than fact, he skips down history's lane, lightly touching his wand to the heads of famous homosexual men, from Erasmus and Leonardo, to Frederick the Great, Tchaikovsky, Cocteau, Hawthorne, Genet, et al.

The book, therefore, reads more like a Who's Who of Homosexuals than a study—of ambivalence or anything else. But for exactly that reason, it's refreshing. It might lie on anyone's coffee table, ready to be snatched up when one needs to prove to the ignorant that gay men have indeed contributed widely and famously to the arts and the course of history.

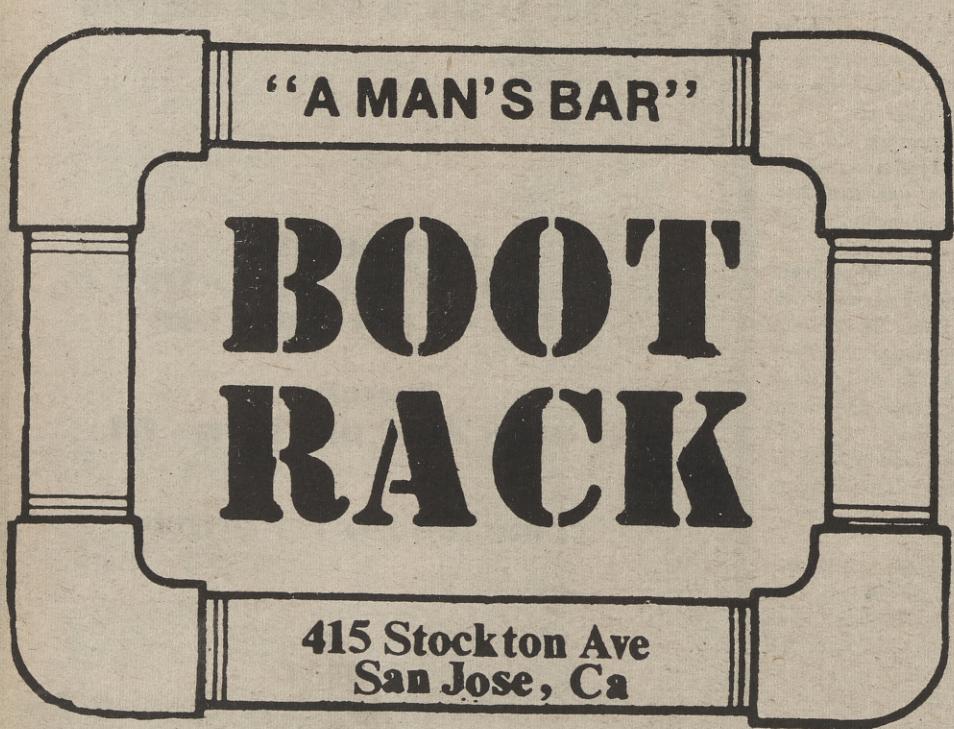
Rowse's regnant theme is that sexual ambivalence, that is, uncertainty or caprice (as well as clear-cut homosexuality) is responsible for genius, at least in the men he talks about. This ambivalence gives them a special way of viewing the world and therefore a leg up on their straight, i.e., single-visioned, counterparts.

One can agree that "tension itself is necessarily bound up with genius, the conflicts sparking the creative process," but to claim that sexual ambivalence is responsible for so much greatness as Rowse claims, sounds much like wishful guessing. Such a line of reasoning would seem to lead to the conclusion that when one is no longer ambivalent about his feelings or attractions, he risks losing his genius.

Of course, Rowse may be onto something. Perhaps analysis, years of self-examination on the psychologist's couch, a coming-to-terms with oneself, is dangerous to the creative person. If there is no longer any tension to be exploded in music or poetry or sculpture, if one is "cured," perhaps one has sold his genius for peace of mind.

Likewise, Rowse returns to the notion of the dominant Mother standing behind many of the men he names here, but lets it drop. A weakness in Rowse's work, despite his disclaimers about generalizations, is his penchant for lumping people into types. He sees Germans as a type; Russians as a type; homosexuals as a type. Too simple, by far.

His strengths, on the other hand, lie with his light touch, his wit, his fearless stabs at the puffed up and the ignorant. Fastidious in his own tastes, Rowse never lets us learn anything juicy, except on the level of gossip, but we have to admire his devil-may-care approach to history. Doubtless, at his age, and with his reputation, he no longer has to worry about tenure or promotion.



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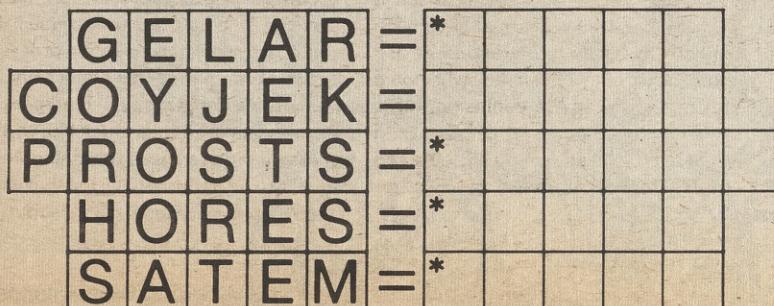
Caring For Your Roses  
By Carl Totemier  
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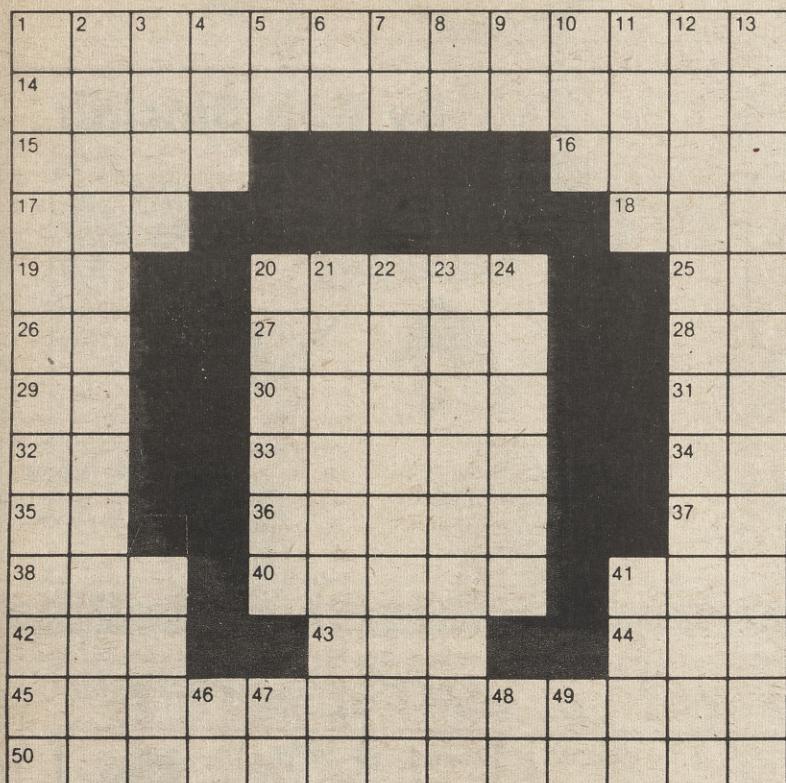
Transplanting roses? Experts say transplanting old bushes is advisable only on a limited scale. Transplant in the fall and take as much soil as possible with the roots.

\*Roses are heavy feeders, so remember that fertilizer is the key to vigorous and productive plants. An established rose benefits from fertilizer application when it is pruned in the spring. Plants from which roses have been cut also need extra nutrients so that the new flowers can develop. Re-apply fertilizer when the new buds become visible.

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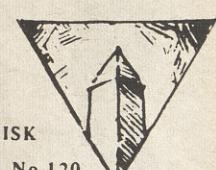
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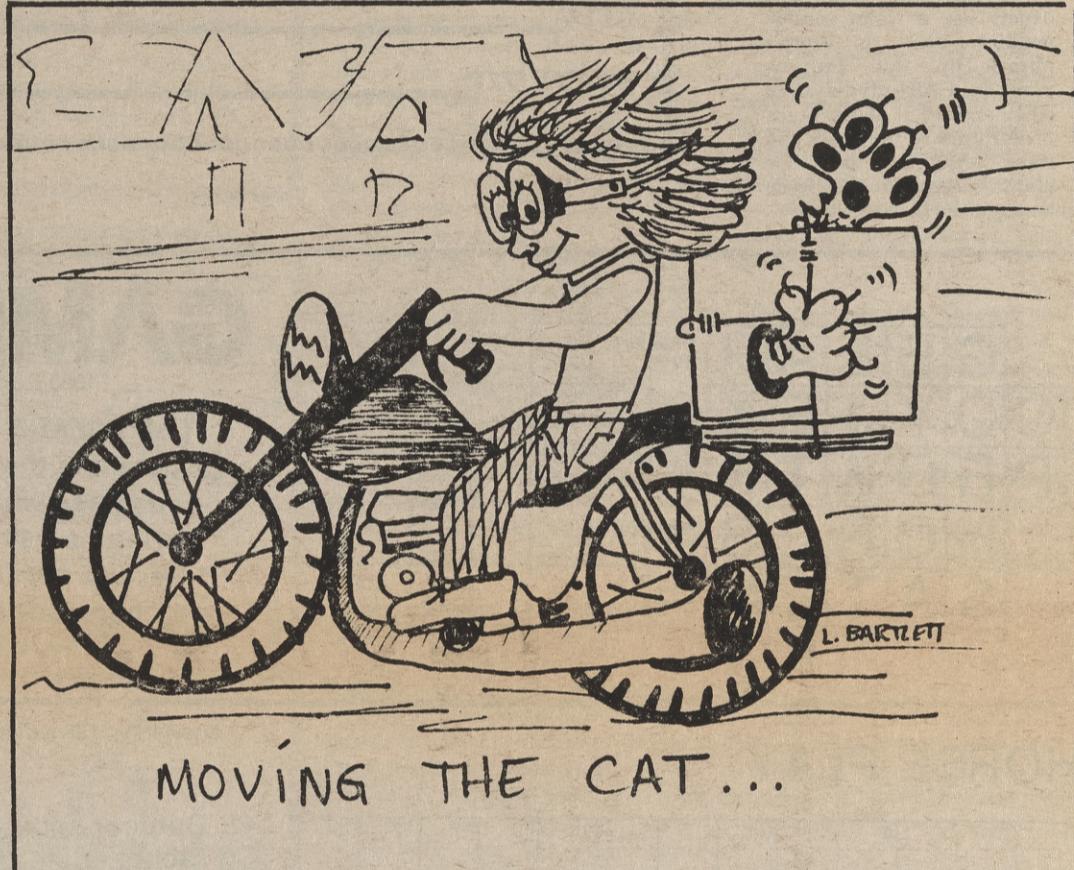
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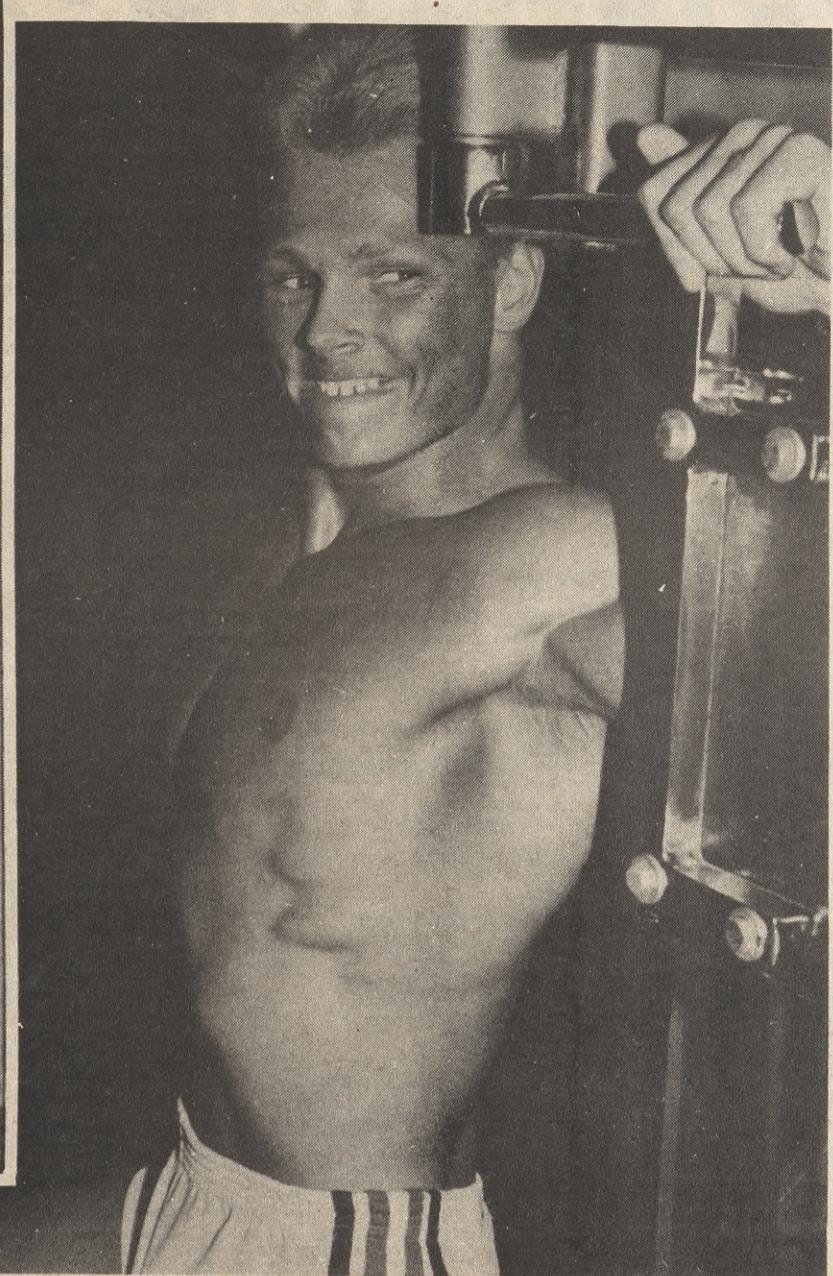
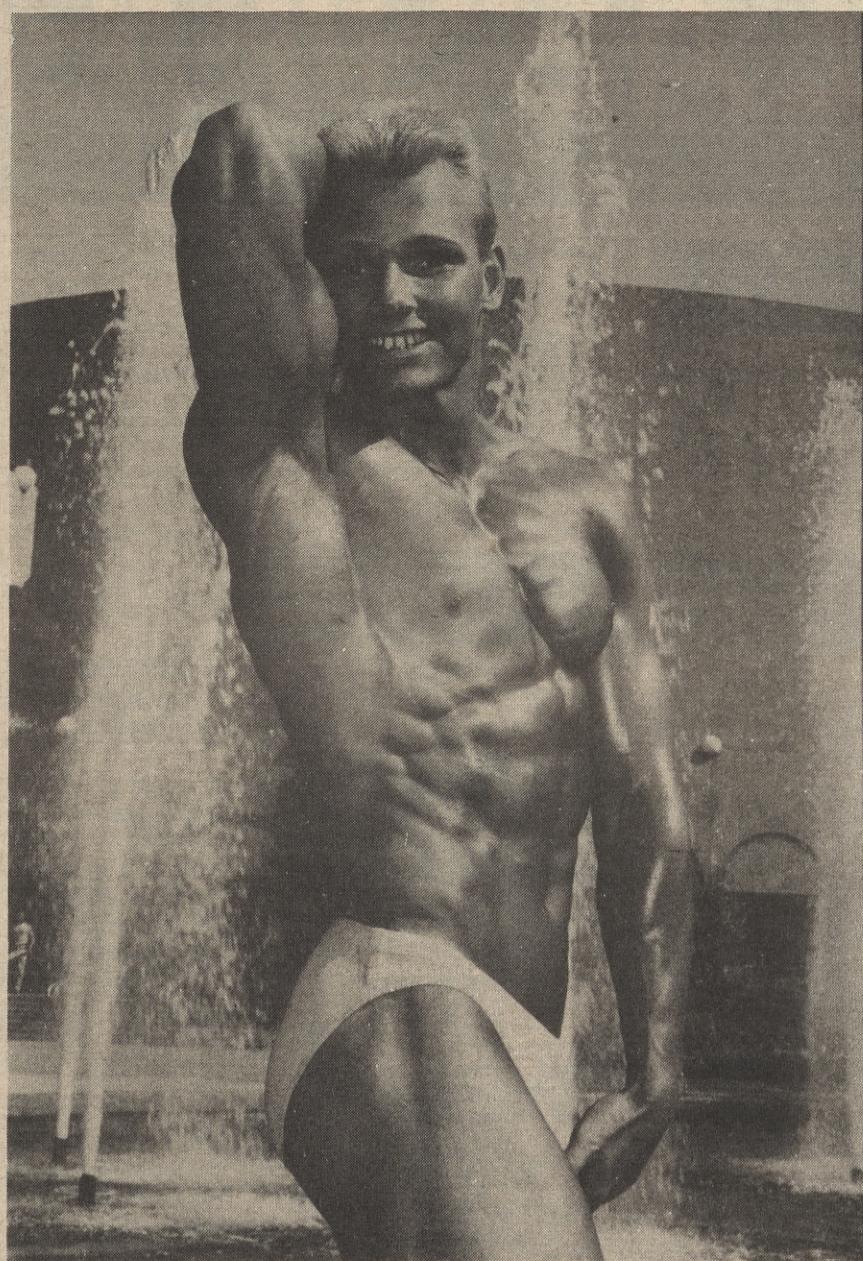
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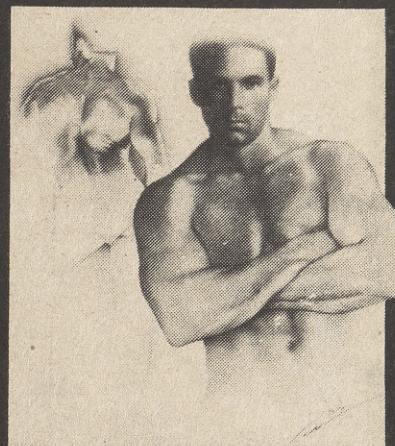
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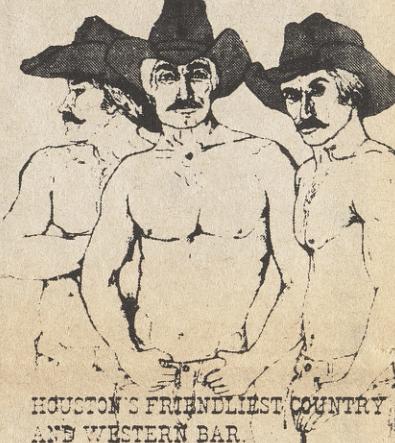
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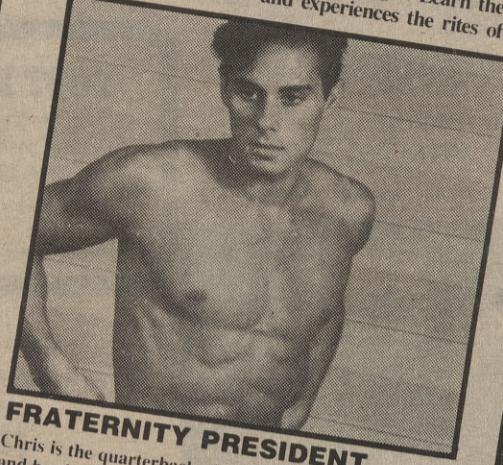
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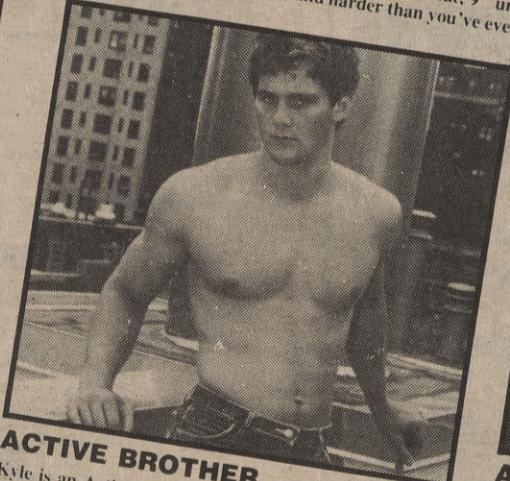
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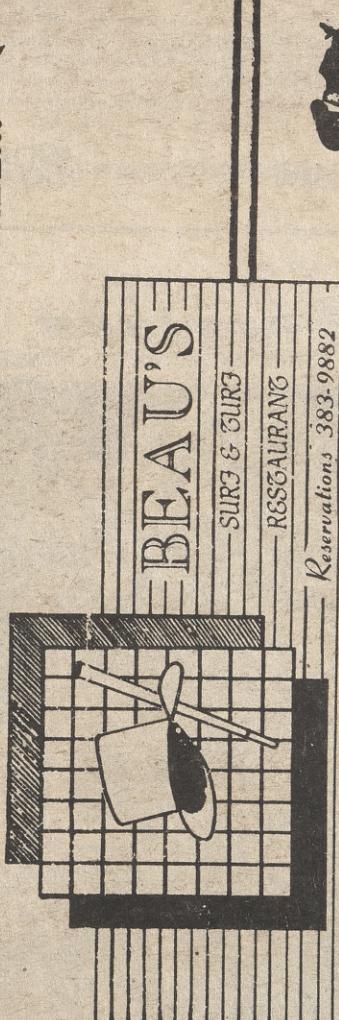
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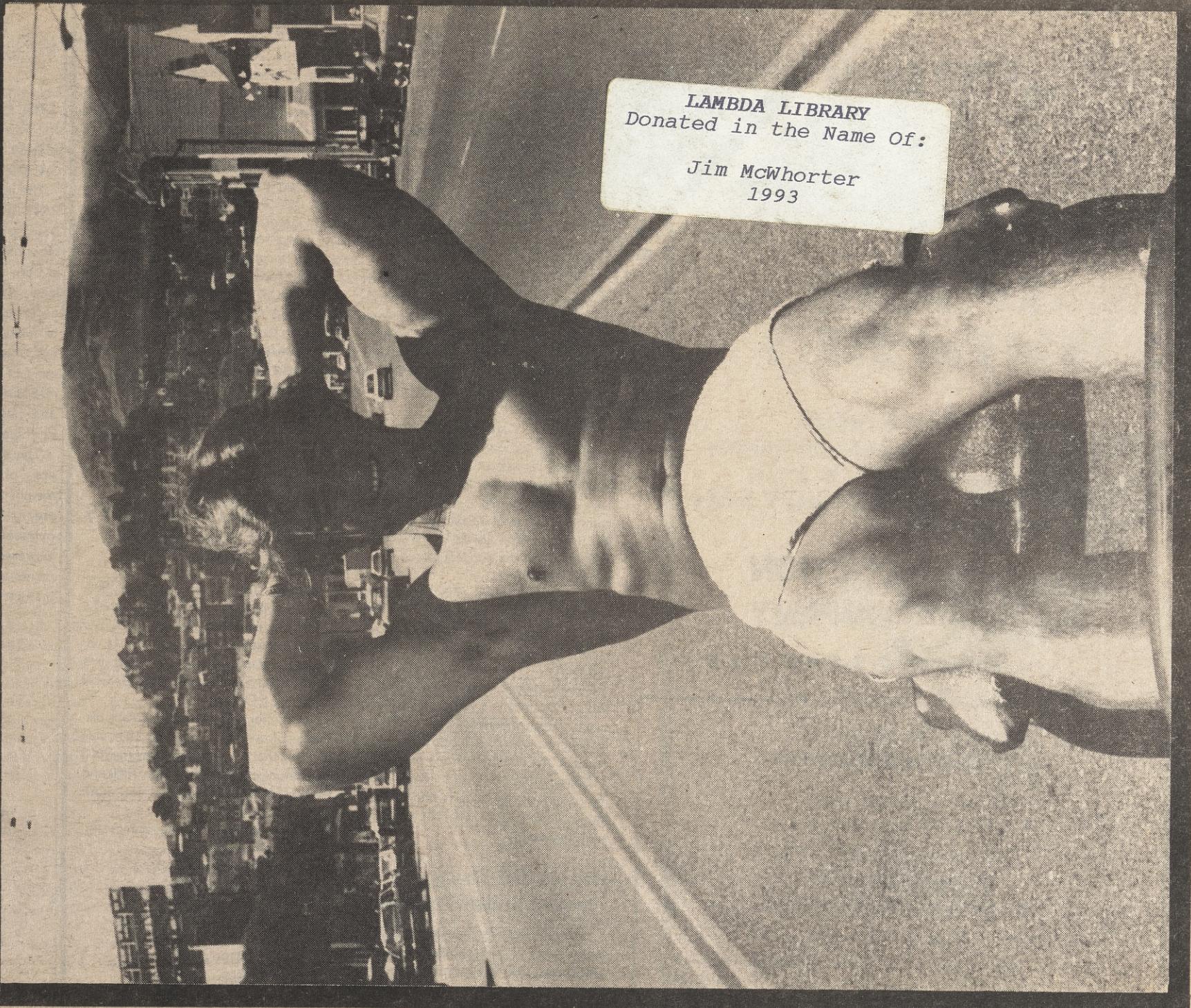
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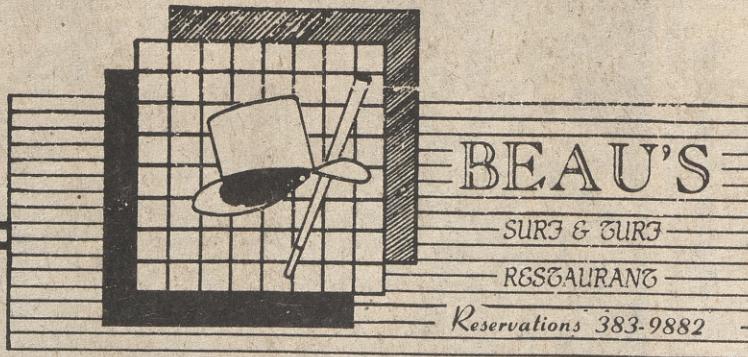
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